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#### PREFACE

Sixteen years ago the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment (Stockholm 5-16 June 1972) adopted the Action Plan for the Human Environment, including the General Principles for Assessment and Control of Marine Pollution. In the light of the results of the Stockholm Conference, the United Nations General Assembly decided to establish the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) to "serve as a focal point for environmental action and co-ordination within the United Nations system" [General Assembly resolution 2997(XXVII) of 15 December 1972]. The organizations of the United Nations system were invited "to adopt the measures that may be required to undertake concerted and co-ordinated programmes with regard to international environmental problems", and the "intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations that have an interest in the field of the environment" were also invited "to lend their full support and collaboration to the United Nations with a view to achieving the largest possible degree of co-operation and co-ordination". Subsequently, the Governing Council of UNEP chose "oceans" as one of the priority areas in which it would focus efforts to fulfill its catalytic and co-ordinating role.

The Regional Seas Programme was initiated by UNEP in 1974. Since then the Governing Council of UNEP has repeatedly endorsed a regional approach to the control of marine pollution and the management of marine and coastal resources and has requested the development of regional action plans.

The Regional Seas Programme at present includes ten regions! and has over 130 coastal States participating in it. It is conceived as an action-oriented programme having concern not only for the consequences but also for the causes of environmental degradation and encompassing a comprehensive approach to combating environmental problems through the management of marine and coastal areas. Each regional action plan is formulated according to the needs of the region as perceived by the Governments concerned. It is designed to link assessment of the quality of the marine environment and the causes of its deterioration with activities for the management and development of the marine and coastal environment. The action plans promote the parallel development of regional legal agreements and of action-oriented programme activities?

The idea for a regional South Pacific Environment Management Programme came from the South Pacific Commission (SPC) in 1974. Consultations between SPC and UNEP led, in 1975, to the suggestion of organizing a South Pacific Conference on the Human Environment. The South Pacific Bureau for Economic Co-operation (SPEC) and the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) soon joined SPC's initiative and UNEP supported the development of what became known as the South Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) as part of its Regional Seas Programme.

Mediterranean, Kuwait Action Plan Region, West and Central Africa, Wider Caribbean, East Asian Seas, South-East Pacific, South Pacific, Red Sea and Gulf of Aden, Eastern Africa and South Asian Seas.

UNEP: Achievements and planned development of UNEP's Regional Seas Programme and comparable programmes sponsored by other bodies. UNEP Regional Seas Reports and Studies No. 1, UNEP, 1982.

The Conference on the Human Environment in the South Pacific was convened in Rarotonga, from 8 to 11 March 1982. It adopted: the South Pacific Declaration on Natural Resources and Environment. the Action Plan for Managing the Natural Resources and the Environment in the South Pacific Region; and agreed on the administrative and financial arrangements needed to support the implementation of the Action Plan and on the workplan for the next phase of SPREP3/.

The legal framework of the Action Plan was developed through several meetings of legal and technical experts from the South Pacific Region. It was adopted by the Plenipotentiary meeting of the High Level Conference on the Protection of the Natural Resources and Environment of the South Pacific Region convened by the Secretary-General of SPC in Noumea, New Caledonia, from 17 to 25 November 1986.

The legal framework adopted by the Conference consists of the following instruments4:

Convention for the Protection of the Natural Resources and Environment of the South Pacific Region;

Protocol Concerning Co-operation in Combating Pollution Emergencies in the South Pacific Region:

Protocol for the Prevention of Pollution of the South Pacific Region by Dumping.

The convention is a comprehensive umbrella agreement for the protection, management and development of the marine and coastal environment of the South Pacific Region. It lists the sources of pollution which require control: pollution from ships, dumping, land-based sources, seabed exploration and exploitation, atmospheric discharges, storage of toxic and hazardous wastes, testing of nuclear devices, mining and coastal erosion. It also identifies environmental management issues requiring regional co-operation: specially protected areas, pollution in cases of emergency, environmental impact assessment, scientific and technical co-operation, technical assistance, and liability and compensation for damage resulting from pollution.

Considerable support to the implementation of the Action Plan is received from a number of South Pacific research and training institutions. Periodic consultative meetings of these institutions are convened to discuss the environmental problems of the region which may be mitigated or solved through the Action Plan and to identify activities which may contribute toward the goal of SPREP. The present report was commissioned by UNEP as such a contribution. The report has been prepared by Mr. David Lindsay Mowbray of the University of Papua New Guinea and the sponsors of the study would like to express their gratitude to the author of the report and to his institution.

<sup>3/</sup> SPC/SPEC/ESCAP/UNEP: Action Plan for managing the natural resources and environment in the South Pacific Region. UNEP Regional Seas Reports and Studies No. 29, UNEP, 1983.

<sup>4/</sup> Convention for the protection of the natural resources and environment of the South Pacific Region and related protocols, UNEP, 1987.

#### AUTHOR'S PREFACE

This is the second edition of Pesticide Use in the South Pacific. The first edition was issued by the South Pacific Regional Environmental Programme (SPREP) entitled "Pesticide use in the South Pacific", preliminary printing, October 1986. Subsequent to writing the first edition, more information has been provided by officers of the South Pacific Commission (SPC), of Governments, companies and non-government organisations (NGOs) in the South Pacific, and overseas.

Assistance has also been provided by officers of the Australian, New Zealand and United States governments on the section on 'banned and restricted pesticides'.

Their comments, suggestions and data provided, together with corrections and updates to earlier information and bibliographic listings of recent publications, are incorporated in the present second edition.

The following are also incorporated in the second edition:

Summary of responses to the Codex Questionnaire (see Appendix F).

Summary of responses to FAO Questionnaire to Governments of the South Pacific on the international code of conduct on the distribution and use of pesticides.

Summary of detailed study done in Papua New Guinea on monitoring and reporting the implementation of the (FAO) international code of conduct on the distribution and use of pesticides.

Use of pictograms in labelling.

A list of pesticides registered or in use in 1986-88, and a list of pesticides banned or restricted for use in non-SPC countries with reasons for such bannings or restrictions given. A reevaluation of the needs of the South Pacific.

David L. Mowbray 1 March 1988

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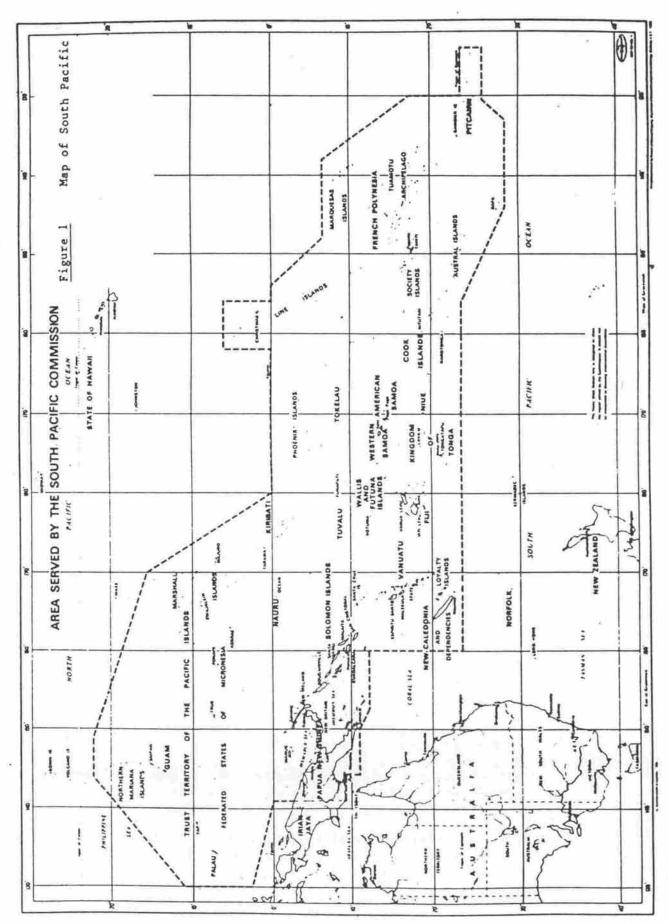
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#### PART A

#### PESTICIDES REVIEW

#### CHAPTER 1 BACKGROUND AND AIMS OF REVIEW

#### 1.1 INTRODUCTION

In 1985, FAO ratified an 'International Code Distribution and Use of Pesticides' (FAO, 1985) (section 8.3) Whilst admirable in its intentions, it makes 'importing countries assumptions including that effective legislation and the infrastructure necessary to regulate importation, sale and distribution'. The many small island states and territories of the South Pacific (see Figure 1) provide good examples of places where neither effective legislation nor infrastructure for enforcement As a consequence many hazardous pesticides are amongst the multitude of those available and used throughout the region, often by people unaware of the hazards. It is impossible to determine precisely the quantities used since reliable data do not exist. Many of those pesticides used are classed by WHO as extremely and highly hazardous. are banned or are severely restricted or are classed 'restricted use' pesticides elsewhere in the world. Possibly some of the products (probably only a few) are being 'dumped' in the South Pacific countries as they can no longer be sold in many other countries. (No information exists on dumping in the South Pacific). It is generally known that formulations of pesticides of dubious quality are being imported from countries with little or questionable quality control. However the fact that many of those pesticides which are known to be hazardous or environmentally persistent are freely available in the region, is sufficent requirement for us to take heed.

At the first consultative meeting of the Research and Training Institutions in the South Pacific Region held at the University of the South Pacific in Suva, Fiji, from 18-20th April, 1983 the South Pacific Regional Environment Program (SPREP) Research and Monitoring Network was established (SPREP, 1983 - Biblio No 590). This meeting proposed (under Recommendation 3) a Biocides Project as follows:

It was recommended that the UPNG Science Faculty, in co-operation with other institutions of the region, prepare for December 1983, a report which:

- (a) reviews the existing information on biocides use and abuse within the region and on the levels of residues within environmental samples;
- (b) identifies the existing legislation on importation storage, use and disposal, and its enforcement within the region; and

(c) presents a detailed proposal for monitoring of biocides in environmental samples within the region.

UPNG Science Faculty subsequently appointed Dr. David Mowbray to be the principal investigator. After discussion with colleagues it was decided that a more extensive appraisal of the problems associated with pesticide use in the South Pacific was warranted. The title of the project was changed to "Pesticide Project". The aims of the project were therefore expanded to be as follows:

- (a) To review existing information on pesticides use and abuse within the region and on the level of residues within environmental samples;
- (b) To identify laboratories in the region with facilities for doing analyses of particular pesticide residues, to list equipment available and to list appropriate methods;
- (c) To identify personel in the region with expertise and experience for monitoring pesticide residues;
- (d) To identify the existing legislation on importation, sale, storage, use and disposal and its enforcement within the region, and registration requirements;
- (e) To present a detailed proposal for monitoring of pesticides in humans, foodstuffs and environmental samples within the region.

Consequently a draft report entitled "SPREP: Pesticide Project. A Review of Pesticide Use in the South Pacific, with a Proposal for Establishing a Pesticide Monitoring and Evaluation Network" was prepared for the Second Consultative Meeting of Research and Training Institutions in the South Pacific Region, UPNG, from 23-27 January, 1984 (Mowbray, 1984a - Biblio No 625).

This 1984 draft report has been ammended, corrected and extended on the basis of responses obtained in correspondence with government and company personel in the South Pacific countries, and in Australia and New Zealand; and from information obtained from recent publications and conferences. Included in the revised and updated report is information from chemical companies, information on pesticides used in quarantine, and quantitative data on pesticide use in some South Pacific countries.

This final report attempts to summarise all this information coherently, and makes (repeats) recommendations for action.

The author of this report accepts as self evident the positive benefits which accrue from the safe and efficient use of pesticides in the South Pacific. The objective of this report is to help ensure that safe and efficient use in the region!

#### 1.2 DEFINITION OF PESTICIDES

Pesticides as covered in the project include acaricides, biological pesticides (bacteria, viruses), defoliants, dessicants, fumigants, fungicides, herbicides, insecticides, molluscicides, nematicides, rodenticides and synergists. Pesticides included are those used in plant protection, in animal health (products for external use only), in human health programmes and for urban pest control.

Substances not included in the survey are attractants, avicides, bactericides, antiseptics, growth promoters, growth regulants, repellants, sterilants, vermin destroyers not included above, and animal health products for internal use such as anthelmintics, coccidiostats and vaccines which are normally regarded as pharmaceuticals or veterinary products (though a few of these are listed in Table 3).

#### 1.3 PROJECT METHODOLOGY

To gather as much information as possible for the draft report, the following approaches were taken:

 A questionaire was compiled (See Appendix A), and was sent in July 1983 to each of the following countries of the South Pacific Commission, and to Australia and New Zealand.

American Samoa, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Guam, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, New Caledonia, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Pitcairn Island, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Wallis et Futuna, Western Samoa.

An alphabetical listing of 503 pesticides and related compounds was enclosed. The respondants were asked to answer the questions and to tick and/or add to the list those pesticides used or recommended or registered for for use in their country. Up to 8 copies of the questionnaire and pesticide list were sent to each country, at least one to each of the Agricultural Department, Health Department or its equivalent if extant. Copies were also sent to other persons concerned with the use of pesticides in each country.

For Papua New Guinea, I corresponded, visited and talked with persons in the Department of Primary Industry, Department of Health, Office (now Department) of Environment and Conservation, Department of Forests, World Health Organization, representatives of various provincial governments, city councils and representatives of the companies which are the principal pesticide distributors and users in PNG. Many small wholesale and retail sellers in the Port Moresby region were also visited.

 During October and November, 1983, I visited the following countries:

> Guam October 20 -23 Phillipines 24 -30 October Western Samoa November 20 -21 Fiji November 22 -28 November 29 - 30 Tonga New Caledonia November 30 December 1 Vanuatu December 1 4 5 Solomon Islands December

I again visited New Caledonia from February 13 - 17, 1984.

In each country I visited persons in agricultural, health and/or environment departments, and also wholessale and retail sellers of pesticides.

In Guam, I visited the University of Guam (UOG). In Fiji, I visited both the University of the South Pacific (USP) and the Plant Protection Section of the South Pacific Commission.

I visited the Phillipines to attend a conference on 'Regional Consultation on Harmonization of Pesticide Registration Requirements' for South East Asia and the Pacific, at Baguio City, November, 1983. (Mowbray, 1983 - Biblio No 624)). The conference was jointly sponsored by the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO), Food and Agriculture of the United Nations (FAO) and the Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority of the Phillipine Government.

- 4. Two library data searches were done through the National Library of Australia, one on 'Pesticides in the South Pacific'. Other library searches were done by the Library of the USP, and at the Library of the University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG).
- 5. I have collected many publications on pesticide use in third-world countries, particularly in South East Asia and the Pacific. These publications have provided a valuable source of information.

- 6. Copies of the 1984 draft report were sent either on the 2nd February or the 4th March, 1984 to all persons listed on Page 7 of the 1984 Report (Mowbray, 1984a Biblio No 625), and to personel in countries and territories which had not responded. These people were asked to check and where necessary correct the information. Those contacted in countries which had not provided information were asked to do so.
- 7. During 1985, a questionnaire on pesticides used in quarantine was compiled with the assistance of Dr Alphonse Benoit of the Department of Agriculture (UPNG), (now part of the University of Technology, Lae). This questionnaire together with a list of pesticides known to be used in quarantine, derived partly from Stout and Roth, 1983 Pub.No Hl) (see Appendix B) were sent to each of the countries and territories of the South Pacific Commission on the 2nd December, 1985. The responses to this questionnaire have been incorporated into the updated report.
  - During 1984 1986 further information was obtained through comments and feedback on papers and articles presented at conferences or submitted for publication.

I presented a number of papers on pesticide use and/or legislation in the South Pacific to conferences: two papers summarising the intiial report were presented to the Fourth Regional Technical Meeting of Plant Protection of the South Pacific Commission in Noumea, February 13 - 17, 1984 (Mowbray, 1984b; Mowbray 1984c - Biblio Nos 600, 626). I also attended the Regional Forum on Pesticide Toxicology in the Philippines, April 22 - 26, 1985 (Mowbray 1985a - Biblio No 601)). Both conferences provided valuable feedback.

I prepared two semi-popular articles summarising the situation for The Siren (Mowbray, 1985b - Biblio No 627) and for Ambio (Mowbray, 1986a - Biblio No 628). These have also elicited a valuable response.

The draft of the paper, subsequently published in Ambio (Mowbray, 1986a) was forwarded on 14 August, 1985 to chemical companies known to supply pesticides throughout the region. The companies were asked to list the chemicals they supply to South Pacific countries, and to comment on the Ambio article.

Two papers have been written on the situation in Papua New Guinea; one on poisoning (Mowbray, 1986b - Biblio No 370/606); the second on pesticide use (Mowbray and Sutherland, in press - Biblio No 393). The referees reviewing these articles have given valuable comments

and feedback.

 A great deal more quantitative information was obtained, particularly for PNG, through continuing correspondence with government departments and research institutions.

I assisted the Tropical Development and Research Institute (TDRI) with a survey on 'pesticide container use' in Papua New Guinea, to assess the extent to which, and the ways in which pesticide containers are re-used after the original pesticide has been spent.

Much quantitative data has been compiled, with great assistance from the local chemical companies and government officers, on the amounts of pesticides used in PNG. Ms Lois Kesu redid a survey on pesticide formulations available in retail and wholesale outlets in Lae and Port Moresby (the two major cities in PNG). Ms Kesu was recently appointed Chemicals Officer in the PNG Department of Environment and Conservation, and will be responsible for co-ordinating registration of pesticides in PNG.

# CHAPTER 2. SITUATION IN SOUTH PACIFIC COUNTRIES

## 2.1 RESPONSES TO QUESTIONNAIRE

Questionnaires and List of Pesticides (see Appendix A) were initially sent out on July 12, 1983. By December 14, 1983, 17 countries had responded to the questionnaire. American Samoa, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Palau, and Wallis and Futuna had not then responded. Nine had listed pesticides used but had not completed the questionnaire. Since the response from Northern Marianas was from Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands Environmental Protection Board (TTEPB), it was presumed to report the situation in the Federal States of Micronesia (FSM), Marshall Islands and Palau as well. Accordingly the response from Northern Marianas was treated in the draft report as being from TTPI. Information on Cook Islands was provided by the Plant Protection Officer of SPC.

The draft report (Mowbray, 1984 - Biblio No 625 ) was distributed between February and March, 1984. By June 1984, most countries had responded so that fairly complete information was available for all countries, except Nauru and Wallis et Futuna. Despite numerous letters, no response has ever been received from either Nauru or Wallis et Futuna. Since June, 1984, further correspondence has been received from many countries providing updated information. Furthermore, the response from the Northern Marianas has been separated from that of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), Marshall Islands and Palau, which have been treated collectively as the TTPI.

## 2.2 FOCAL POINTS

Table 1 gives the names of the respondants from each country (or their successor). These persons should be regarded as key focal points in the future for any correspondence on pesticide matters in these South Pacific Countries. This list is correct, to my knowledge, as of October, 1986 (with known corrections as of July 1987).

# 2.3 SUMMARY OF RESPONSES TO QUESTIONNAIRE

Table 2 gives an abridged and updated summary of the responses from each country. These responses are referred to continually in the following report.

# Table 1: List of Persons who responded to questionnaire. and/or provided important information. (In some cases the predecessor of the named person also provided information).

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REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI.

Nauru

No response.

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and

Mr Don Lauder, Nauru Phosphate Commission REPUBLIC OF NAURU

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Dr. David Mowbray, Biology Department, University of Papua New Guinea, P.O. Box 320, University P.O. N.C.D., PNG.

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# Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands

(TTPI)

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.Marshall Islands:

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TUVALU.

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Vanuatu

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Senior Plant Quarantine Officer,
Department of Agriculture, Livestock
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VANUATU.

Wallis and Futuna

no response.

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WALLIS ET FUTUNA.

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TABLE 2:: Summary of responses to pesticide questionaire, forwarded on 12 July, 1983. (Copy of questionaire is included as Appendix A).

Countries included in the table are [in order]:

American Samoa, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia, Guam, Kiribati, Nauru, New Caledonia, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Pitcairn Island, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, TTPI, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Wallis and Futuna, Western Samoa, Australia and New Zealand.

Note: Federated States of Micronesia, Marshall Islands, and Palau are grouped together under the title Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (TTPI).

Responses have been modified in the light of other information available, and correspondence received from focal points since February, 1984 upto October 1986.

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French Polynesia	Local information of the paragraph of th
1	Requires all of the information given in question 1.2 - much of which must be included on label. Other relevant information is also required.
Cook Islands	Has adopted New Lealand's general policies on pesticide regulations. It is normal practice for the manufacturers to supply pesticides properly labelled, however, information on analytical methods for determining residues of active ingredient, toxicology data and evidence of registration elsewhere are normally supplied by the manufacturers for requiring further information on the pesticides they sell usually refer buyers to the pesticides to notify the Ministry of Agriculture about the chemical they intend to market in the Cook Islands and they normally supply the Ministry with samples of the pesticide for screening by the Ministry's Research Division.
American Samoa	As for EPA registration.
American Samoa Cook Islands	When pesticides are considered As for EPA for registration (or use) does the importer/ manufacturer have to provide information, including such as ISO common name, chemical name, physical/chemical properties of pesticide and/or opesticide formulation, analytical methods for determining residues of active ingredient, toxicological data, and evidence of registration elsewhere for example in Australia, New Zealand, USA, UK, or Fiji?

		Guam	Kiribati	Nauru	New Caledonia
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	Do you have a Registrar of Pesticides, or Pesticide Advisory Committee, and do you keep a register of all pesticides allowed to be used in your country?	Manufacturers of pesticides must register any pesticide or other substances intended for sale to control pests in the "Territory of Guam with Federal EPA (US EPA). The Guam EPA does not initially register pesticide products	Do not have a Registrar of Pesticide cides, Pesticide Advisory Committee nor Register of all information about pesticides imported into the country like nontry from which imported, quantity, its use, and other details—are available in the files maintained by the Chief Agri- cultural Officer, Ministry of Natural Resources Development.	on the spon on the	of Pesticides nor Commission of Pesticides . Rely on French registration to recommend active ingredients and application rates. The Public Health and Hygiene Service regularly publishes the list of new substances in tables of Toxic and Dangerous Substances, but this simply follows the list produced in France for new homologues.
2	when pesticides are considered for registration (or simply for use) does the importer, manufacturer have to provide information, including such as ISO common name; physical/chemical properties of pesticide and/or pesticide and/or pesticide for mulation, analytical methods for determining residuer of active ingredient, toxicological data, and evidence of active in Australia, New Zealand, USA, UK, or Fiji?	Pesticide manufacturers are required to provide scientific evidence that their products are effective for the purposes intended and will not injure humans, livestock, crops or wildlife when used as directed	At present when pesticides are considered for use information is obtained either from New Zealand or Australia.	49 es C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C	Pesticides imported into the Territory were regulated under Deliberation No. 183 of 26/9/1969. This regulation prescribes obligations of importers and sellers (according to the class of pesticide) and sets out the labelling to requirements. This regulation was not enforced on pesticides of foreign (non-French) drigin. In February 1936 Arrete No. 86-040 was passed regulating the sale and use of foreign it includes mandatory labelling in French, the banning and restriction of use of some pesticides and sets conditions on use of others.

	Niue Papua New Guinea Pitcairn Island	Niue	Papua New Guinea Pitcairn Island	Pitcairn Island	Solomon Island
1.	Registration of Pesticides		-		
÷	Do you have a Registrar of Pesticides, or Pesticide Advisory Committee, and do you keep a register of all pesticides allowed to be used in your country?	No- Niue does not have a Registrar of Pesticides, but all pesticides used must be registered in New Zealand. The Dept. of Agriculture decides on the type of pesticides to buy from New Zealand.	To date no regist- rar, advisory com- mittee nor register. However, regulations are about to be gar- etted to create each. A list of all pesti- cides available in PNG has been made by Dr Mowbray of UPNG together with the Chemicals Officer of the dept of Environ- ment who will main- tain the register & co-ordinate the act- ivities of the Advi- gory Compittee	All imported pesticides are in the control of the Agricultural Officer who is also the Read Forester. No register is kept of pesticides allowed to be used in Pitcairn. In practice, however the range of pesticides available for use in Pitcairn is similar to those used in New Zealand from whence all of Pitcairn's pesticides are imported.	Yes - have a Registrar of Pesti- cides (Chief Research Officer, Ministry of Agriculture and Lands) a Pesticide Advisory Committee and an official Register which includes restrictions and conditions of sale.
	When pesticides are considered for registration (or simply for use) does the importer/ manufacturer have to provide information, such as ISO common name, chemical name, physical/ chemical properties of pesticide formulation, analytical methods for determining residues of active ingredient, toxicological data, and evidence of registration elsewhere for example in Australia, New Zealand, USA, UK, or Fiji?	Whatever pesticide is registered in New Zealand also applied on Niue.	varies - sometimes when pesticides are considered for use information is obtained from Australia or from chemical companies. With new regulations procedures have been drawn up where pesticide formul- ations not register- ed in. such countries will have to provide such detail- ed information.	Not available	requirements for requirements for information set out in question 1.2 and more, and includes proof that the formulation has current registration for use in Australia, New Zealand, Hawaii, UK, Japan or Fiji

-		Tokelau	Tonga	TTPI	Tuvalu
	Registration of Pesticides Do you have a Registrar of Pesticides, or Pesticide Advisory Committee, and do you keep a register of all pesticides allowed to be used in your country?	Do not have either a pesticide Registrar or a Pesticide Advisory Committee, and there is no proposal to create such	Officially yes - have a Registrar (Director of Agriculture) and a register, and an advisory committee-but above does not function. Unofficial register kept by Chief Plant protection Officer who in consultation with others, recommends what should or should not be used	The TT EPB is responsible for controlling the use of pesticides in the TTPI, and adopts the registration of pesticides approved by the US EPA under the FIFRA	Do not have a Registrar of Pesticides nor a Pesticide Advisory Committee. However do keep a register of pesticides allowed into the country
	when pesticides are considered for registration (or simply for use) does the importer/manufacturer have to provide information, including such as ISO. common name, chemical name; physical/chemical properties of pesticide and/or pesticide and/or pesticide formulation, analytical methods for determining residues of active ingresidues of active ingredient, toxicological data, and evidence of registration elsewhere - for example in Australia, New Zealand.		Registration is not enforced. Information as in question 1.2 is requested when considering use of pesticides	Registration of pesticides is done by the US EPA and is done under their rules and regulations (which require detailed in properties listed in question 1.2). The TT EPB may register pesticides for special local uses and/or experimental studies	0

	;	Vanuatu	Wallis & Futuna	Western Samoa	CNMI
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1.1	Do you have a Registrar of Pesticides Advisory Committee, and do you keep a register of all pesticides allowed to be used in your country?	At present there is no Registrar nor Advisory Committee of Pesticides nor register. The Health Department has drafted legislation or chemical imports which is mainly for drugs and medicines but also includes some agrochemicals (Have requested FAO assistance to formulate legis-lation).	No response	No. no registrar, no advisory committee, no register.	mental Ovality (DEO) uses information pro- vided by the USEPA for pesticide classificatio and registration. This information includes pesticides that are banned, have restricted uses, and other constraints. Only those pesticides that have an US EPA registration number are allowed to b used in the CNMI. DEO also conducts an inventory of pesticides being used by applicators and sold by retailers.
1.2	When pesticides are considered for registration (or simply for use) does the importer, manufacturer have to provide information, including such as ISO common name, chemical properties of pesticide and/or pesticide and/or pesticide and/or pesticide and/or pesticide formulation, analytical methods for determining residues of active ingredient, toxicoliogical data, and evidence of registration elsewhere for example in Australia, New Zealand, USA, UK, or Fiji?	No information required at present			Registration of pesticides must meet the requirements of the USEPA FIFPA (P.L. 95-396) and DEQ regulations

pesticide Board, set up under the Pesticides Act, 1979, which controls the use of pesticides A register of pesticides is kept. All pesticides

used are required to be registered.

There is a N.Z. Registrar of Pesticides, and

## Australia

Registration of Pesticides

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Do you have a Registrar of Advisory Committee, and do you keep a register of all Pesticides, or Pesticide pesticides allowed to be used in your country?

may be registered or offered for sale until No pesticide may be offered for sale until it has been registered by the relevant authority in that State. No new pesticide advisory committee and register - though Registrar may be known by another title. Committee on Agricultural Chemicals. it has been cleared by the Technical Each State has its own Registrar, Department responsible varies:

- Primary Industry - Agriculture - Agriculture - Agriculture - Health Health Queensland Western A. Victoria South A. Tasmania Extensive information has to be provided by the manufacturer/formulator/importer. Details of the information required can be obtained from the regulations under are set out in Document PB310 "Requireeach State Act (See Text). The require-Committee on Agricultureal Chemicals ments for clearance by the Technical ments for Clearance of Agricultural Chemicals" (See Text)

considered

The publication "Procedures for Registration details the information required before an and Experimental Use Permits" (See Text) application to register a pesticide is

> ingredient, toxicological for example in Australia, registration elsewhere -New Zealand, USA, UK, or properties of pesticide methods for determining provide information, name; physical/chemical including such as ISO and/or pesticide forcommon name, chemical data, an evidence of mulation, analytical When pesticides are active does the importer, manufacturer have to provide inforregistration (or simply for use) considered for residues of 2

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Total (activ Recomm for Us	Total Number of Pesticides (active ingredient) Used or Recommended or Registered for Use	433	94	155	418
Could	Could you provide a list of companies that import and distribute pesticides in your country, or do Government Departments import directly?	See Table 28. The major importer is the Government Department of Material Management, with the Department of Health and three private companies importing small amounts, including a pest control firm.	See Text. The Government Chemical Store used to supply the pesticides used in high volume but now mostly supplied thruprivate companies. Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Agriculture, the CI Government Liquer Store, the Totokoipu Research Station and the DSIR also import/distribute	See Table 28. Health Dept may import.	See Table 28 Government Services either import directly or pass their orders via the approved importers
Total Main In	Total Number of Main Importers and Distributors	so.	4 or 10 (according to source)	> 12 (includes one company which formulates)	> 30

American	American Samoa	Cook Islands Fiji		French Polynesia
Recommendations for Pesticides Use Could you forward any See Text booklet, brochure, pamphlet (But no 1 produced in your country produced which lists recommendations for use of pesticides?	ocally	See Text	Text	See Text
Types of publications		Brochures, booklets, report.	Cyclostyled notes and published books	Technical bulletins

		Guam	Kiribati	.Nauru	New Caledonia
2.	List of Pesticides Used and Distributors				
2.1	Attached is an alphabetical list of common names of many pesticides. Could you please tick all those pesticides used or recommended for use or registered for use in your country	See Table 3	See Table 3		See Table 3
	Total Number of Pesticides (active ingredient) Used or Recommended or Registered for Use	107	n	<b>5</b>	206
2.2	Could you provide a list of names and addresses of companies that import and distribute pesticides in your country; or do Govern- ment Departments import directly?	See Table 28 The Vector Contor! Program Within the Department of Public Health often purchases their pesticide supplies from local sources	Importation and distribution of agricultural pesticides done solely by the Division of Agriculture, Ministry of Natural Resources Development.  Pesticides for household use in the imported by private dealers.	ž.	See Table 28 The two most important imports are the Agricultu and Health Depart
	Total Number of Main Importers and distributors	10 - 33 (according to source)	n		п
3	Recommendations for Pesticide Use				
7.	Could you forward any, booklet, brochure, pamphlet produced in your country which lists recommendations for use of pesticides?	See Text	77.7		Non-existent
	Types of publications	Pamphlets, small books, circulars			

		Niue	Papua New Guinea	Pitcairn Island	Solomon Island
2.	List of Pesticides Used				
2.1	Attached is an alphabetical list of common names of many pesticides. Could you please tick all those pesticides used or recommended for use or registered for use in your country	See Table 3	See Table 3	See Table 3	See Table 3
	Total Number of Pesticides (active ingregient) Used or Recommended or Registered for Use		275	<b>10</b>	125
2.2	Could you provide a list of names and addresses of companies that import and distribute pesticides in your country, or do	See Table 28 All pesticides purchased through Government Store.	See Text - Table 28 Health Dept. imports directly. One com- pany processes pyre- thrin which is grown locally. Plantations	One Government Department, Forestry, imports directly	No chemical companies now operate. Large companies import their own. However one garden shop operates and
	import directly?  Total Number of Main Importers and Distributors	2	often import.their own chemicals. 15 (3 major)		directly 1
	Recommendations for Pesticide Use				
3.1	Could you forward any booklet, brochure, pamphlet produced in your country which lists recommendations for use of perticides?	Yes, but none available.	See Text	No booklets produced	See Heav
	Types of publications		Many pamphlets brochures, tech- nical bulletins and books exist		One book produced on weeds, and advisory leaflets produced

			Tonga	TTPI	
2.	List of Pesticides Used and distributors				
2.1	Attached is an alphabetical list of common names of many pesticides. Could you please tick all those pesticides used or recommended for use or registered for use in your country	See Table 3	See Table 3	See Table 3	See Table 3
	Total Number of Pesticides (active ingredient) Used or Recommended or Regis- tered for Use	57	92	375	,
2.2	Could you provide a list of names and addresses of companies that import and distribute pesticides in your country, or do Government Departments import directly?	Imported by Depart- ment of Agriculture directly from N.Z., Great Britain or Western Samoa	See Table 28 - both Ministries of Agriculture and Health also import	Many small wholesalers import household insecticides and rodenticides. Agricultural pesticides are imported by local Departments characture.	Imported by Crown Agent
	Total Number of Main Importers and Distributors	н		~	r.
ë.	Recommendations for Pesticide Use			8	
3.1	Could you forward any booklet, brochure, pamphlet produced in your country which lists recommendations for use of pesticides?		See Text	See text but no recent locally produced booklets on the use of pesticides	None
	Types of publications		Technical Bulletins and advisory leaflets.		

		Vanuatu	Wallis & Futuna Western	Western Samoa	Western Samoa CNMI
2.	List of Pesticides Used and Distributors				40
7.7	Attached is an alphabetical list of common names of many pesticides. Could you please tick all those pesticides used or recommended for use or registered for use in your country	See Table 3		See Table 3	Nee lable 1, which lists those pesticides most commonly used.
100	Total Number of Pesticides (active ingredient) Used or Recommended or Registered for Use	113	20 +	78	18
	Could you provide a list of name: and addresses of companies that import and distribute pesticides in your country, or do Government Departments import directly?	See Table 28 Government departments do also import directly		See Table 28 Main importer is (Gov.) Agriculture Store	
	Total Number of Main Importers and Distributors	; ;			
	Recommendations for Pesticide Use				A STATE OF THE STA
3.1	Could you forward any booklet, brochure, pamphlet produced in your country which lists recommendations for use of pesticides?	Advice given individually according to pest/disease See Text		See Text, Tew outdated publications	No books produced but use books prepared by USEPA and training materials prepared by UOG Agricultural Co-operative Extension.

Types of publications

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2.	List of Pesticides Used		
2.7	Attached is an alphabetical list of common names of many pesticides. Could you please tick all those pesticides used or recommended for use or registered for use in your country	See Table 3	See Table 3
	Total Number of Pesticides (active ingredient) Used or Recommended or Registered for Use	514	315
. 2	Could you provide a list of names and addresses of companies that import and distribute pesticides in your country, or do Government Departments import directly?	See PESTLIST by Snellgrove (1983, 1985, and QAC- PESTKEM (1985): see page (OS	See N.Z. Agricultural Chemicals Board (1982) and N.Z. Pesticide Board (1985,1986); see page to 6
	Total Number of Main Importers and Distributors	depends upon source: Pestlist by Snellgrove 1985 - 217 suppliers, QAC-Pestkem gives 96 distributors.	129 proprietors
3.	Recommendations for Pesticide Use		
1.1	Could you forward any booklet, brochure, pamphlet produced in your country which list recommendations for use of pesticides?	See Text	Dex C
	Types of publications	Numerous publications	Numerous publications

1		American Samoa	Cook Islands	Fiji	French Polynesia
10	Do any of your departments advise following the recommendations of UN agencies or those of other countries, e.g. USA, NZ, Australia or France?	Re Agriculture: Use USDA, University of Hawaii, UN and SPC in conjunction with manufacturer's recommendations. Also conduct own research trials. Re Health: Follows recommendations of WHO, USA and manufacturers.	Apart from the manufacturer's recommendations the Ministry of Agriculture considers recommendations by "The NZ Chemicals Board", SPC Handbook on Pesticides, FAO and DPI Queensland Handbook on Disease, vol 1, vol 1, Federation.	of lie	Re Agriculture Recommend following information provided by French, USA, NZ or Australian firms, after having tried them in the local conditions. Never make recommendations before experimentation  Re Health Recommend using WHO guidelines in conjunction with manufacturers' recommendations.
				*-	Particular pesticide users usually follow manufacturers' recommendations or those provided by the sellers
	could you state who makes recommendations for large scale use of pesticides agricultural or health extension officers, entomologists, plant pathologist, pest control operator, chemical company representative?	Pesticide use on small scale only.	The Ministry of Agriculture's Advisory and Research Staff with the cooperation of NZ DSIR Plant Diseases Division. For household pests and diseases and mosquitoes, the Health Department recommends. Also chemical companies advise. Do own trials.	For agriculture - Entomologists and Plant Pathologist; for health - WHO and Department of Health	For agriculture officers of agricultural departments or Chamber of Society for the Bovelopment of Agriculture and Fisheries

į	America	American Samoa	Cook Islands	Fi31	n Samoa Cook Islands Fiji
9.4	3.4 Could you forward a listing Handout of any publications on safe both in use of pesticides published Samoan in your country? safety courses applica public program	Handout published both in English and Samoan languages. Also offer pesticide safety training courses for pesticide applicators, and public education programs through TV,	Publications under 3.1 include sections on safe use.	der See Text Cyclostyled notes Cyclostyled boextension officers, and courses held with farmers in both Fijian and Hindustani	

-	Guam		Kiribati	Nauru	New Caledonia
3.2	3.2 Do any of your Departments Primary users must advise following the thons printed on recommendations of UN the product labels agencies or those of Dept of Health follother countries, e.g. lows recommendation USA, NZ, Australia or of WHO, USA and man France?	Primary users must adhere to instruc- tions printed on the product labels Dept of Health fol- lows recommendations of WHO, USA and manu- facturing companies.	Recommendations made by New Zealand and Australia are usually adopted		Public Health and Hygiene, Agriculture and Veterinary departments all follow advice from these countries.
2.	Could you state who makes recommendations for large scale use of pesticides agricultural or health extension officers, entomologists, plant pathologist, pest control operator, chemical company representative?	Extension entomologists, agricultural and health extension officers	Crop Protection/ Quarantine Section, Division of Agriculture, Ministry of Natural Resources Development.		Por Agriculture of Agriculture, of Agriculture, Entomologists and Plant Pathologists from ORSTOM  For Health - the Chief Med-
					users themselves.
4.	Could you forward a listing of any publications on safe use of pesticides published in your country?	See Text. Small brochures. However courses held with distributors and users and includes emphasis on safety	None	3*	No reliable publications - but labels of containers must be written in an explicit way to prevent accidents

		Niue	Papua New Guinea	Papua New Guinea Pitcairn Island	Solomon Islands
3.5	Do any of your departments advise following the recommendations of UN agencies or those of other countries, e.g. USA, NZ, Australia or France?	Re Agriculture: Follow recommend - recommendations ations of New made in Austback of New Made in Australia and Austructions and Australia are sometimes and instructions by carried out in Indels.  Re Agriculture: Often considerions included	Often consider recommendations including those made in Australia, and for public health by UN However experimental trials are sometimes carried out to check and modify recommendations	Recommendations of New Zealand are followed	Agricultural Division bases recommendations on literature and experimental results. Malarial Control Division uses WHO guidelines
3.3	Could you state who makes recommendations for large scale use of pesticides - agricultural or health extension officers, entomologists, plant pathologist, pest control operator, chemical company representative?	Research Division staff, Extension staff in Agriculture and staff of Health Department.	Any of persons listed in question 3.3 dependent upon problem	Agricultural Officer, or DSIR, Auckland	Officers of Agricultural Division, Chemical Company representatives and Ministry of Health or entomologist employed by private company
4.	Could you forward a listing of any publications on safe use of pesticides published in your country?	Nil available.	See Text Booklets and pamphlets provided by Dept. of Agriculture	None	None

		Tokelau	Tonga	TIPI	Tuvalu
2.5	Do any of your departments advise following the recommendations fo UN caencies or those of other countries, e.g. USA, NZ, Australia or France?	N.1.1	Yes - in Agri- culture consider recommendations made by SPC, k in NZ, Austra- lia, Germany, France, UK, and those made in Thomson's books; In Health follow recommendations made by WHO and those made in Fiji.	All pesticide users in TIPI follow the recommendations of the US EPA	Yes - look at Technical Bulletin
3.3	Could you state who makes recommendations for large scale use of pesticides - agricultural or health extension officers, entomologists, plant pathologist, pest control operator, chemical company representative?	Dept. of Agricul- ture on the basis of advice received from NZ Ministry of Agriculture and USP	Entomologists and Plant Pathologists and extension off-icers from Research and Advisory divisions of Dept. of Agriculture, and by Health extension officers.	By TT EPB with assistance of agricultural extension officers, entomologists and/or plant pathologists as the conditions require	WHO entomologist and Chemical Company Representative
3.6	Could you forward a listing of any publications on safe use of pesticides published in your country?	No se	Recommendations in local language included in new "Pesticide Bulletin, No.2," and courses held with users regularly each year with emphasis on safety.	None locally published, but some users do Guam courses	None

İ		Vanuatu Wallis & Futuna	Western Samoa	CNMI
3.2	3.2 Do any of your departments advise following the recommendations of UN agencies or those of other countries, e.g. USA, NZ, Australia or France?	For agriculture — make recommendations from SPC Handbook to select the chemicals which should be used but also consider hazard rating of the product against the expertise of the proposed operator. The Health Department uses WHO guidelines	TJN	Guidelines are used from US Government and from individual states in USA.
m m	Could you state who makes recommendations for large scale use of pesticides agricultural or health extension officers, entomologists, plant pathologist, pest control operator, chemical company representative?	Plant Quarantine Section of Dept. of Agriculture gives advice but it is small scale. There are no entomologists or plant pathologists in the Dept. There is one pest control firm who make own recommendations	By officers of Dept. of Agriculture (particularly Chief Crops Officer), USP Alafus, and by the Samoan-German Crop Protection Project	Large and small-scale farming (main users of pesticides) receive application assistance from the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Plant Industry. Person in charge is an entomologist. The government has an agricultural co-operative program to assist farmers with crop cultivation including use and selection of pesticides.
3.4	Could you forward a listing of any publications on safe use of pesticides published in your country?	None	One publication in Samoan	None but do provide educational material for those persons seeking pesticide applicator certificition.

		Australia	Australia
3.5	3.2 Do any of your departments advise following the recommendations of UN agencies or those of other countries, e.g. USA, NZ, Australia or France?		! ! !
3.3.	Could you state who makes recommendations for large scale use of pesticides agricultural or health extension officers, entomologists, plant pathologist, pest control operator, chemical company representative?	Each State has agricultural officers who provide advice. CSIRO, private consultants and chemical companies also make recommendations.  Similarly, health workers also make recommendations where appropriate	The NZ Ministry of Agriculture has advisory officers all over the country. The DSIR, private farm management consultants and chemical companies also make recommendations
3.4.	Could you forward a listing of any publications on safe use of pesticides published in your country?	See Text Many publications are available but a useful reference is 'Manual of Safe Practice in the Handling and Use of Pesticides'. See listings in publications - section 14.2.	A large number of publications are available - Ministry of Agriculture produces Ag Links, local brochures, articles appear in newspapers, companies provide information, and safety precautions are included on all pesticide labels.

		American Samoa	Cook Islands		French Polynesia
÷	Controls on Pesticides				
4.1	Importation, Sale and Distribution of Pesticides	70%		ш	
(4) (6)	*Are the importation, sale and distribution of pesticides controlled in any manner?	Controlled by law. See 4.8. All pesticides classified for general or restricted use.	No control, as no law.	Controlled by law. See 4.8. Policed by inspectors.	Controlled by law. See 4.8
	*Are pesticides allowed to be sold in containers other than those in which they were imported?	No must only be sold in original containers.	Yes pesticides are sometimes sold in containers other than those in	Need special permission to sell if repacked	Only allowed under certain circumstances but with permission of Pesticide Commission.
	<i>3</i>		which they were imported in.		However it is forbidden to use containers normally used for packaging food or drinks
4.2	Labelling				
	"What sorts of information are required on labels of pesticide containers?	As specified by law - See Text.	See Text.	As specified by Act- See Text	As specified by Act See Text
	*Are the labels in a language understood by all users?	No - labelling is in English, but intend in the future to translate into Samoan, Korean, Chinese.	Label must be in English, and info- rmation on direct- ions for use, stor- age, precautionary statements, signal words, application rates must be writ- ten in Cook Island Maori.	Must be in English, Fijian and Hindustani	Must be in French and Tahitian - however not always complied with as import from USA, NZ and Australia

		ĺ	Kiribati	Nauru	New Caledonia
1	Controls on Pesticides				
_	Importation, Sale and Distribution of Pesticides				
	*Are the importation, sale and distribution of pesticides controlled in any manner?	Regulated by local and federal posticide acts and subsequent regulations. See 4.8	Agricultural pesticides handled only by the staff of the Division of Agriculture.		See Text Regulated by law (See 4.6), which upto 1986 was not enforced, Now new regulations.
2	*Are pesticides allowed to be sold in containers other than those in which they are imported?		Does not arise in view of the above.		
	What sorts of information are required on labels of pesticide containers?	As specified by Act, See 'fext	Information like active ingredient, dilution rates, waiting periods, precautions to be taken and treatment to be taken in case of accidental poisoning.	E	Upto 1986 as specified by Act. Labelling effectively limited to the use of the words 'Poison' or 'Dangerous'. French products conform to regulations in force for Metropolitan France. New regulations much more stringent -
	language understood by all users?				Upto 1986 no - foreign products (from N2, Australia) did not need to be translated into French, New regul- ations make French mandatory.

1			Papua New Guinea	Pitcairn Island	Solomon Island
	Controls on Pesticides				
Table 1	Importation, Sale and				
	*Are the importation, sale and distribution of pesticides controlled in any manner?	Controlled by officers of Agriculture Department and Health Department.	Sale only controlled by law, but control about to be introduced: See text.	No controls, but Agricultural officer, through Forestry Department, imports and sells pesticides	Controlled by law. See 4.8
	*Are pesticides allowed to be sold in containers other than those in which they are imported?		Yes - as long as appropriately labelled and in suitable containers, but will be illegal in future unless got special permit.	No regulation of the containers in which pesticides are sold but in practice they are distributed in their original containers as received from New Zealand	Need special permission to sell if repacked
.7	Labelling				
	*What sorts of information are required on labels of posticide containers?		As specified by Act. At present labelling effectively limited to use of word 'Poison'. But new regulations specify UN recommendations.	No requirements	As specified by Act See Text
	*Are the labels in a language understood by all users?	Yes - English labels, and common pesticides also in Niuean.	No, mainly in English, though few major chemicals have labels in Tok Pisin	English labels understood by all inhabitants	Only English required, though main language is Solomon Pidgin

1	Tokelau		Tonga	TTPI	Tuvalu
1	Controls on Pesticides				
	Importation, Sale and Distribution of Pesticides	*			
	*Are the importation, sale and distribution of pesticides controlled in any manner?	for sale. Poisoning operations are carried out by the department concerned with assistance from village labour	Officially yes - controlled by law. See 4.8	Controlled by TT EPB in accordance with TTPI Pesticides Regulations	None - the Agriculture and Medical Departments are the only organisations using pesticides
	*Are pesticides allowed to be sold in containers other than those in which they are imported?		No - unless labelling fulfils requirements	Pesticides for sale must be in their original containers	
	Labelling		*		
	"What sorts of information are requred on labels of pesticide containers?	None	As specified by Act - See Text	Labelling requirements must comply with the requirements	
	*Are the labels in a language understood by all users?		Must be in English and Tongan	Must be in English	(Yes)

ì	Vacuato	Vanuatu	Wallis & Futuna	Western Samoa	CNMI
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	Controls on Pesticides				
ed	Importation, Sale and Distribution of Pesticides				
	*Are the importation, sale and distribution of pesticides controlled in an, manner?	No controls		No controls, but Government Agricultural Store Corporation is the main importer of pesticides.	Controlled under pesticide regulations.
	*Are pesticides allowed to be sold in containers other than those in which they are imported?	Pesticides now only sold in original containers, but in past decanting		Yes - pesticides are sometimes sold after having been refilled into secondary containers, e.g. beer bottles,	. ov
7	Labelling *What sorts of information are required on labels of pesticide containers?	None		Information lists chemical name, Samoan name, hazard, what crop it is for, rate of application.	Must comply with USEPA regulations.
	*Are the label in a language understood by all users?	Most labels in English but main language is Bislama, with English and French. Many Ni-Vanuatu growers would not understand present labels		Relabelling is in Samoan	Only in English.

	New Lealand	
		Australia

## Controls on Pesticides

## Importation, Sale and Distribution of Pesticides

Are the importation, sale and distribution of pesticides controlled in any manner?

to be sold in containers other than those in which they are imported?

controlled though sale and distribution is very strictly controlled under State laws No, unless labelling fulfils requirements and is in an acceptable container

Importation of pesticides is not

Control by law. See 4.8. Moreover for chemicals subject to licensing, an import licence is not given to substances not registered by the Pesticide Board

No, unless labelling fulfils requirements, and is in acceptable container

As specified by Pesticide Act.

Labelling

\*What sorts of information are required on labels of pesticides containers?

Labelling is as specified in different State laws, but has been largely harmonised by the Technical Committee on Agricultural Chemicals which has published guidelines. See Text

Must be in English

Must be in English

\*Are the labels in a language understood

by all users?

		American Samoa	Cook Island	Fiji	French Polynesia
4.3	T S				3
	Are pesticides allowed to be stored in containers other than the original labelled container in which they were imported? If so do you specify the type of storage vessel, e.g. glass, polythene, metal drum?	No must be kept. in original container.	Yes No restrictions on storage vessels. However storage space must be in well-ventilated room with concrete floor locked entry with sign reading: "Danger-Pesticide Storage Area".	See 4.1	Type of containers not specified under Act
	Are there restrictions on where pesticides may be stored?	Recommended to be stored in well-ventilated, dry, cool building with concrete floor. Fire resistant building materials are preferred. Storage should be in temperlabels.	O	Not specified in Act, but through education restrict storage near foodstuffs	Specified in Regulations
4.4	Transportation				
	Are there restrictions on the way pesticides are transported by road, ship or air?	Restrictions on transportation with food, or in dangerous manner. Federal Aviation Authorities forbid transportation on aircraft	No restrictions within Cook Islands but regulations of transport from outside, especially from New Zealand.	Not specified in Act	Not specified in Act, though must meet international regulations; however forbidden to transport pesticides with foods
.0.	Disposal of Pesticides				
	Do you know how old/ expired/unwanted pesticides are disposed of?	By diluting or dispersing on unused agricultural land or shipping back to US mainland for burial at EPA-approved landfill. Pesticide containers are destroyed and buried	No regulations, but usually by burying and burning under strict supervision	By burning or burying under strict supervision	Legislation mentions restrictions and precautions regarding the disposal of pesticides and used containers

	Guam	Kiribati	Nauru	New Caledonia
Are pesticides allowed to be stored in containers other than the original labelled container in which they were imported? If so do you specify the typ: of storage vessel. e.g.glass polythene, met.l drum?	1	Must be stored in original labelled containers		Restrictions on storage as specified by law, but are commonly not enforced, e.g. Dieldrin is sold retail in empty beer bottles. New laws should prevent this.
Are there restrictions on where pesticides may be stored?	Must not be stored near food, animal feed and must be checked frequently for leaks and breaks	Must be stored in a separate room with concrete floor		
Transportation Are there restrictions on the way pesticides are transported by road, ship or air?	Shipment of pesticides is regulated by the Federal Department of Transport	According to airline and shipping requlations	360	No special conditions

Guam		Kiribati	Nauru New Caledonia
Disposal of Pesticides			
Do you know how old/expired/	Pesticide appli-	No disposal	No regulations but
unvanted pesticides are	trinle rings every	to date	not required
o to peodern	empty pesticide		
	container and dis-		
	pose of pesticide		
	residues on their		
	own property in		
	accordance with		
	instruction on the		
	product label. All		
	rinsed containers		
	are crushed and		
	buried at the sani-		
	tary landfill.		
	Pesticide applica-		
	tors generating		
	large quantities of		
	pesticde waste are		
9	required to dispose		
	of these wastes at		
	approved hazardous		
	waste treatment or		
	disposal facilities.		

		Niue Papua New	Papua New Guinea	Pitcairn Island	Solomon Island
m.	Storage		# 4 # 4 # 4 # 5 # 5 # 5 # 5 # 5 # 5 # 5	V C	
	Are pesticides allowed to be stored in containers other than the original lebelled container in which they were imported? If so do you specify the type of storage vessel, e.g. glass, polythene, metal drum?	No - re-use is prohibited.	Not regulated by law, but will be illegal in the near future, unless got special permit.	No restrictions	Prohibited by law
	Are there restrictions on where pesticides may be stored?		Must be stored away from foodstuffs	No restrictions	No restriction
	Transportation				
	Are there restrictions on the way pesticides are transported by road, ship or air?	Not allowed to be transported with food	No regulations apart from inter- national regul- ations, but will not be allowed to be carried with foodstuffs under proposed regulation.	No restrictions on road transport (no sea or air transport)	No regulations apart from international regulations
10	Disposal of Pesticides				
	Do you know how old/expired/ unwanted pesticides are disposed of?	Done with Health authorities; buried in landfill accord- ing to specific procedures.	No regulations; generally by burying or burning or by spraying as diluted formulation on wasteland.	ON.	

1	Tokelau Tonga TTPI Tuvalu	Tokelau	Tonga	TTPI	Tuvalu
4.3	Storage				
	Are pesticides allowed to be stored in contains other than the original labelled container in which they were imported?  If so do you specify the type of storage vessel, e.g. glass, polythene, metal	No regulations	No restictions - but try to bring in only small containers	Pesticidum must be stored in their original containers, and in accordance with the US EPA approved label directions	£
	Are there restrictions on where pesticides may be stored?		Not by law		
٧.	Transportation				
2.	Are there restrictions on the way pesticides are transported by road, ship or air? Disposal of Pesticides	No - but transported in separate containers	No restrictions by law	Must comply with US and International Regulations	None
	Do you know how old/ expired/unwanted pesticides are disposed of?	Zinc Phosphide disposed of by burning	Store - would like to know how to dispose of, alternatively diluted and dispersed	a,	(Yes) but not specified

to be No regulations to her specify containers and damaged the containers are damaged to be used to used to be used to be used to used to used to used to used to be used to use	:		Vanuatu	Wallis & Futuna	Western Samoa	CNL
Are pesticides allowed to be no regulations to that the criginal labelled to be used that the original labelled to be used to be container to be used t	4.3					Political designations
Are there restrictions on special fire protection or fighting equipment  Transportation  Are there restrictions on special fire protection or fighting equipment  Transported by road, ship or a recommendations  Do you know how old/expired/ recommendations on disposed of?  Tesponse of expense of ex		Are pesticides allowed to be stored in containers other than the original labelled container in which they were imported?	No regulations to specify containers to be used		Yes - if the oxiginal container is damaged the chemical is repacked	CMI regulations
Are there restrictions on specify storage stor		type of storage vessel, e.g. glass, polythene, metal drum?			3	
Are there restrictions on No restrictions  Are there restrictions on the way pesticides are transported by road, ship or air?  Disposal of Pesticides  Do you know how old/expired/ recommendations of unwanted pesticides are recommendations of unwanted pesticides are concerning burning or by response to letter disposal or questionnaire)  Or alloting and dispersing or by response to letter dispersing or questionnaire)		Are there restrictions on where pesticides may be stored?	No regulations to specify storage conditions. No special fire protection or fighting equipment	ī	Should be in cool dry room	As above
Are there restrictions on No restrictions  the way pesticides are transported by road, ship or air?  Disposal of Pesticides  Do you know how old/expired/ recommendations ation on disposal about to construct a about to construct a and burying or by response to letter diluting and or questionnaire)  Are there restrictions no requiations or air and burded project a stronged project a source of and burying or by response to letter diluting and or questionnaire)	4.4.				50 m contact.	and the same
Disposal of Pesticides  Do you know how old/expired/ Follow standard ation on disposal about to construct a accordance with about to construct a instructions on unwanted pesticide Disposal label. Otherwise disposed of?  And burying or by response to letter diluted and applied to agricultural large and dispersing or questionnaire)	- 2-2-1	Are there restrictions on the way pesticides are transported by road, ship or air?	No restrictions		No regulations	
Follow standard Requested inform- USAID funded project Disposed of the recommendations ation on disposal about to construct a accordance with concerning burning of unwanted pesti- Pesticide Disposal instructions on and about set of the set of	4.5	Disposal of Pesticides				and the second section
		Do you know how old/expired/ unwanted pesticides are disposed of?	Follow standard recommendations concerning burning and burying or by diluting and dispersing	Requested information on disposal of unwanted pesticides (but no response to letter or questionnaire)	USAID funded project about to construct a Pesticide Disposal Site	proposed of the accordance with instructions on the label. Otherwise they are diluted and applied to agricultural lands,

		Australia	Australia New Zealand
3	Are pesticides allowed to be stored in containers other than the original labelled container in which they were imported?  If so do you specify the type of storage vessel,	Storage of pesticides is largely controlled by the Poisons Acts but also covered in the various Pesticide legislation	No. Requirements specified by the Pesticide Act and Toxic Substances Act, and their Regulations
	e.g. glass, polythene, metal drum? Are there restrictions on where pesticides may be stored?		Certain classes may not be stored next to food stuffs
4.	Transportation Are there restrictions on the	Dang	Restrictions as specified under the Toxic
4.5.	way pesticides are transported by road, ship or air? Disposal of Pesticides	the transport and handling of pesticides	Substances Act
	Do you know how old/ expired/unwanted pesticides are disposed of?	Guidelines on the disposal of pesticides have been published by the Pesticide Section, and reprinted and distributed by AVCA	Since the Pesticides Act 1979 has come into force, all products are required to have information on their means of disposal on the label. Health Department will supervise disposal at controlled tips

ŀ		an Samoa	Cook Islands	an Samoa Cook Islands Fiji	French Polynesia
4.6	Protective Clothing				
	Do you know of people who use protective clothing when using pesticides?	The law requires users of restricted use pesticides to wear protective clothing. This includes unlined rubber or neoprene boots, gloves, clothing, hats, goggles and respirators. However such clothing is not always worn because of its unavailability. Protective clothing is also worn by Dept. of Health personnel in vector control	Yes - wearing gum boots,gloves overalls and masks,though some do not because of heat	Advised to use gloves, overalls, boots, goggles, aspirators of good quality where necessary. Law requires safety precautions to be included on label	Legislation provides for conditions and precautions for use; this includes detailed listing of protective clothing is not always worn because of the heat
4.7	Health Checks				
	Do you know of any regular users of pesticides who submit to regular medical examination?	None	No - but Health Dept. can take blood samples for analysis in New Zealand	Nothing	6 month or annual regular medical checkup including blood tests for people working with pesticides
a. 60	Pesticide Legislation				
	Could you please forward a list of present of proposed legislation controlling importation, sale, storage, use and disposal of pesticides in your country?	See Text	No legislation but adopts NZ policy on pesti- cide regulations. Presently NZ Pest- icide Board is assisting to frame regulations.	See Text	See Text

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120	Protactive Clothing				
	Do you know of people who use protective clothing when using pesticides?	Whenever using restricted use pesticides, applicators should use approved	Nothing		Use or protective clothing is strongly recommended but seldom followed due to heat. Labels on pesticides must also
	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	(coverall, hat, gloves, respirator)			indicate precautions needed
	Health Checks				
	Do you know of any regular users of pesticides who submit to regular medical examination?	No program to date	Nothing		Cholinesterase tests done regularly, 6 monthly, and some government workers submit to medical
	Pesticide Legislation				-
	Could you please forward a list of present or proposed legislation controlling importation, sale, storage, use and disposal of pesticides in your country?	See Text	Ni.1	4	

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	Do you know of people who use protective clothing when using pesticides?	Yes - workers employed by Agriculture wear protective clothes	Advised to use Where necessary gloves, overalls, boots, goggles and respirators but many don't because of heat	o <sub>N</sub>	Yes - workers in one large company wear protective gear when aerial spraying
4.7	Health Checks				
	Do you know of any regular users of pesticides who submit to regular medical examination?	Only have health checks if suspected chemical polsoning, though it is intended to do this	Recently commenced program to do blood checks (to include blood residues and cholinesterase test)	Not applicable - no regular users of pesticides	Regular cholinesterase tests done on workers from one large company
. A	Pesticide Legislation				
	Could you please forward a list of present or proposed legislation controlling importation, sale, storage, use and disposal of pesticides in your country?	None - but Pesticide Legislation follow regulations in New Zealand	See Text	No legislation	See Text

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4.6	4.6 Protective Clothing				
	Do you know of people who use protective clothing when using pesticides?	,	Recommended to use protective clothing. Masks widely used for particular pest-icides. However often people dont wear protective clothing.	Must be worn when applying pesticides in accordance with US EPA approved label directions	Yes
4.7	Health Checks				
	Jo you know of any regular users of pesticides who submit to regular medical examination?	No regular medical checkups	No regular check- ups, though some have physical examination.	ON.	O T
8.	Pesticide Legislation	9			3,
	Could you please forward a list of present or proposed legislation controlling importation, sale, storage, use and disposal of pesticides in your country?	No legislation	See Jext	See Aext	No legislation

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9.4	4.6 Protective Clothing				
	Do you know of people who use protective clothing when using pesticides?	Plant Quarantine staff wear protective clothes including respirators as does staff of the one pest		Majority don't wear protective clothes though some wear boots and gloves	Recommended, but not always followed
7.	Health Checks				
	Do you know of any regular users of pesticides who submit to regular medical examination?	None		None About to establish a Poisons Centre	No - most regular users are alien workers and do not take advantage of medical facilities where available.
6.4	Pesticide Legislation				¥
	Could you please forward a list of present or proposed legislation controlling importation, sale, storage, use and disposal of pesticides in your country?	N.Z. Pesticide Board /FAO about to assist to frame pesticide legislation.		See Text Strongly recommend pesticide legislation on a regional approach. Suggest this would be more practical. economical and easy to monitor	See Text Other Federal laws and regulations touch on use of pesticides

	Australia		New Zealand
4.6	Protective Clothing		
	Do you know of people who use protective clothing when using pesticide?	Protective clothing is defined under the Hazardous Pesticide Regulations of N.S.W. and other legislation	Protective clothing is widely use - especially by horticulturalists who need to use more toxic pesticides than most other users
4.7	Health Checks		
T.	Do you know of any regular users of pesticides who submit to regular medical examination?	Regular users of pesticides may submit blood or urine samples for testing in N.S.W. and possibly other States but such examinations are rarely mandatory and the service is not widely used	Regular health check-ups are available to those who care to avail themselves of them, especially orchardists, aerial operators and contractors who regularly handle toxic chemicals
8.	Pesticide Legislation		
	Could you please forward a list of present or proposed legislation controlling importation, sale, storage, use and disposal of pesticides in your country?	See Text	See Text

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	5.1 Could you give any details of known poisonings of people by pesticides in your country over the last 10 years?	No da da t	No data available	Two fatal cases of accidental poison-ing suspected from intake of paraquat which mistaken to be beer. Also of person who deyeloped allergies to methomyl and tridemorph.	Know cases, e.g due to paraquat both deliberate and accidental. Detailed records not kept See Text.	Known cases of fatal paraquat poisonings (suicide). Also documented cases of acute non-fatal accidental poisonings due to organophosphates or xyloprotectors, e.g. PCP, predominantly amongst non-professional rural users.
. 2 .	Could you give any details of known poisonings of domestic animals or fish or wildlife in your country over the last 10 years?	No data though of fish Nu'uuli calcium	a mass killing occurred at due to hypochlorite	No data available, : Many reported cases though a mass killing of fish dying in of fish occurred at : rivers but not Nu'uuli due to substantiated as calcium hypochlorite due to pesticides	only reported cases are of dogs delib- erately polsoned by metaldehyde	No precise statistics, but cases of fish kills downstream of agricult- ural activities suspec- ted of being due to pesticides - but not confirmed. One case of fish poisoning reported due to deltametrin spraying in the river in Tahiti.

American	American Samoa	Samoa Cook Islands	F131	Fiji French Polynesia
Do you know of any publications on problems/ potential problems caused by pesticides in your country?	N O	Q	Two papers presented Numerous cases in on paraquat poisoning. Iocal press - and one Hany cases of para-technical publication. Other publication on text.  Two papers and residues completed but references not	Numerous cases in local press - and one technical publication. Other publication on pesticide use survey and residues completed but references not

		Guam	Kiribati	Nauru	Kiribati Nauru New Caledonia
	Problems to Humans and Wildlife				
5.1	Could you give any details of known poisonings of people by pesticides in your country over the last 10 years?	One farmer poisoned by diazinon	N.11 ·		Several cases of varying severity due to use of Phosdrin (mevinphos)
7.	5.2 Could you give any details of known poisonings of domestic animals of fish or wildlife in your country over the last 10 years?	None to date	NII		None reported, except for a number of cases of dogs poisoned deliberately with pieces of meat containing an
5.3	Do you know of any publications on problems/ potential problems caused by pesticides in your country?	Some - See Text	See Text	÷	No publications

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Solomon Island	마 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및 및	One recent case lethal diazanon polsoning.	None known	None known
Pitcairn Island		No poisonings	No reported poisonings	No publications
Papua New Guinea		See Text. At least 40 cases have been recorded of people dying accidentally or deliberately from paraguat over the last 15 years; other cases of vary- ing severity have been recorded due to acephate, arsenic, coumaphos, DDT, dieldrin dichlorvos, dimethoate, methyl parathion, methyl parathion, crotophos, moo- crotophos, parathion, trichlorthon.	Many reported cases of cate dying after DDT spraying, dogs have been poisoned by coumaphos; fish kills after lindane and DDT was dumped into creeks; and cattle poisoned by dimethoate and diazinon. See Text	See Text - many
Niue		Few cases of people poisoned by para- quat. Two cases of suicide	None - but in past poisoning of dome- stic pets and poultry by dieldrin which is no longer used	None
	5. Problems to Humans and Wildlife	Could you give any details of known poisonings of people by pesticides in your country over the last 10 years?	Could you give any details of Anown poisonings of domestic animals or fish or wildlife in your country over the last 10 years?	Do you know of any publications on problems/ potential problems caused by pesticides in your country?
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l.; ;	and		40,000		None
	Could you give any details of known poisonings of people by pesticides in your country over the last 10 years?	2	accidental death (mixing with hands) from unknown pest-icide. Number of known cases of workers mildly affected by carbofuran, and of workers getting skin rashes from mancozeb.		
5.2	Could you give any details of known poisonings of domestic animals or fish or wildlife in your country over the last 10 years?	DDT & lindane caused fish & coral kills.	One case of foal dying after drinking mixture of benomyl and banana misting oil.	Endrin and sodium arsenite caused kills. See Text	None
; 73	Do you know of any publications on problems/potential problems caused by pesticides in your country?	o z	OM	No publications	Non-

;	Vanuatu	Vanuatu	Wallis & Putuna	Western Samoa	CNMI
5. 1.	5.1 Could you give any details of known poisonings of people by poisoning by pesticides in your country poisoning by over the last 10 years?	I.		From 1973 to 1984, 205 known cases of suicide by paraquat, and from 1970 to 1972, 5 cases of suicide by arsenic tri- oxide. Recently one accidental death due to paraquat and non-fatal poisonings due to manco- zeb (and tridemorph).	o No
5.2	Could you give any details of known poisonings of domestic animals or fish of wildlife in your country over the last 10 years?	No knowledge of any	H <sup>c</sup>	bogs are commonly polsoned by licking used paraquat containers. See Text.  Few cases of cattle and pigs poisoned but not documented	One instance of cattle poisoning.
5.3	Do you know of any publications on problems/ potential problems caused by pesticides in your country?	None		See Text	None, but use those of US Federa and State Governments

1		Australia	Australia
	Problems to Humans and		
5.1	Could you give any details of known poisonings of people by pesticides in your country over last 10 years?	See Text, but incidences of injury from pesticides is astonishingly low	See Text In 1980, 165/4276 poisoning notifications or 3.9% were due to pesticides and 5/19 fatal poisonings were due to pesticides
5.2	Could you give any details of known poisonings of domestic animals or fish or wildlife in your country over the 10 years?	See Text, few reported	Few reported
5.3	Do you know of any publications on problems/ potential problems caused by pesticides in your country?	Numerous papers and articles published.	Numerous papers and articles published, particularly over recent years on 2,4,5-T

American Samoa	American Samoa	Cook Islands	Cook Islands Fiji French Polynesia	French Polynesia
Laboratory Facilities and Personnel  Do you know of any laboratory/ Recently completed personnel in your country construction of a capable of analysing any well equipped laboratoricide residues on a cratory. Intend to small scale/large scale?  Work in near future	construction of a well equipped laboratory, Intend to do pesticide residue work in near future.	e o o	Two laboratories, one one government is Chemistry Laborat— laboratory is ory Koronivia Research capable of doing Station, and other at residues on large or USP would be capable small scale, In past given extra equipment was cheaper to get and personel, USP is analyses done in programme. Only cap— Now many analyses able of doing so on a can be done at small scale.	One government laboratory is capable of doing residues on large or small scale, In past was cheaper to get analyses done in France or Hawaii. Now many analyses can be done at LESE - see text.
Do you know of any work being done in your country on analysing residues of pesticides in foodstuffs, fish, wildlife and other environmental samples, and human blood/tissues?  If so please give name and address of persons or institutions involved, Are organisations/institutions from outside your country involved?	have been done by the University of Hawaii and University of California	Ministry of Health can send samples for analysis to DSIR, Wellington N2	None done to date	Some small surveys have been done on residues in vegetables, fruit, soil and water but no systematic or routine monitoring is carried out, except environmental monitor- ing on water, sediment and marine life. No studies on humans done.

	Guam Kiribati	Guam	Kiribati	Nauru	New Caledonia
	Laboratory Facilities and Personnel				
6.1	Do you know of any laboratory/ Guam EPA personnel in your country is capabl capable of analysing any sing cert pesticide residues on a small (OC's, li scale/large scale? malathion scale.	Guam EPA laboratory is capable of analy- sing certain residues (OC's, lindane, dieldrin, toxaphene, malathion) on a small	NÍ.1		None but given suffic- ient equipment, two government labs may be able to do on a small scale
2.	Do you know of any work being done in your country on analysing residues of pesticides in foodstuffs, fish, wildlife and other environmental samples, and human blood/tissues? If so please give name and address of persons or institutions involved.	Guam EPA laboratory may perform residue analysis of pesti- cides in foodstuffs, fish, wildlife, etc on a limited scale on a limited scale ability of chemical standards.	ni)		None to date
	Are organisations/ institutions from outside your country involved?	Yes, residues in water done, experimental studies on residues of diazinon and malathion in crops, and wildlife survey by Patuxent.	u wee	à,	

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	Facilities				电电电路电话 医电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影电影
6.1	Do you know of any laboratory/ None personnel in your country capable of analysing any pesticide residues on a small scale/large scale?	e voue	UPNG Chemistry and Biology Depts. have a Pesticide Lab. capable of doing work on a small scale. The DPI Chemistry Lab has in the past done limited residue work and the National Analytical Lab at UOT could do analyses given extra equipment. See Text.	No - but if need arose testing for pesticide residues yould be carried out in New Zealand	2
. 5	Do you know of any work being done in your country on analysing residues of pesticides in foodstuffs, fish wildlife and other environmental samples, and human blood/tissues? If so please give name and address of persons or institutions involved. Are organisations/institutions trom outside your country involved?	e o o o o	Yes, at UPNG See Text	O Z	Samples have been sent to Tropical Products Institute in England for analysis of lindane residues in root crops, with inconclusive results

		Tokelau	Tonga	TTPI	Tuvalu	
6.	Laboratory Facilities and					
6.1	Do you know of any laboratory/ personnel in your country capable of analysing any pesticide residues on a small scale/large scale?	NO N	No, but Tonga has access to GTZ laboratories in W. Germany and Phillipines	o Z	o z	
. 5	Do you know of any work being done in your country on analysing residues of pesticides in foodstuffs, fish, wildlife and other environmental samples, and human blood/tissues? If so please give name and address of persons or institutions involved. Are organisations/institutions from outside your country involved?	o N	Few samples of water analysed for OC residues See Text	o Z	O <sub>Z</sub>	

Vanuatu	Vanuatu	Wallis & Futuna		OMNI
Laboratory Facilities and Do you know of any laboratory/ No personnel in your country capable of analysing any pesticide residues on a small scale/large scale?	o X	1	ON.	Yes - but no facilities, though get assistance from Guam EPA.
Do you know of any work being done in your country on analysing residues of pesticides in foodstuffs, fish, wildlife and other environmental samples, and human blood/tissues? If so please give name and address of persons or institutions involved. Are organisations/institutions from ortside your country	ĝ.		Few samples analysed for OC residues See Text	None but do analyses for drinking water supplies with Guam EPA

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9	Laboratory Facilities and Personnel		6. Laboratory Facilities and Personnel
7.	Do you know of any laboratory/ personnel in your country capable of analysing any pesticide residues on a small scale/large scale?	Facilities exist in each State and some private companies also possess facilities. Most possess ability to do monitoring on a large scale. See Text	5 laboratories noted - 2 government and 3 private, Most possess ability to do monitoring on a large scale. See Text
. 7	Do you know of anywork being done in your country on analysing residues of pesticides in foodstuffs, fish, wildlife and other environmental samples, and human blood/tissues?  If so please give name and address of persons or institutions involved. Are organisations/institutions from outside your country	Extensive monitoring done throughout Australia. Some examples are given in text	Extensive monitoring of residues is undertaken by the Government and analyses of residues of posticides when done by proprietors of pesticides when applying for registration, and by MAF and DSIR researchers. Some analysis of results, is done outside NZ but most is internal. A market basket survey has also been done.

## 3.1 LIST OF PESTICIDES AVAILABLE FOR USE

Table 3 lists those pesticides (by common name) reported to be registered for use, used or recommended for use in the region during the approximate period of 1977 to mid-1986. The list was compiled from the following sources:

- From answers to the original questionnaire (Question 2.1), and to questionnaire on quarantine (Section 6.4).
- From correspondence with and lists provided by chemical companies, government officers and users.
- By visiting sellers and distributors (Fiji, PNG, New Caledonia, Solomons, Tonga, Vanuatu, and Western Samoa).
- By reviewing available publications including journal articles, books, booklets, brochures and leaflets.

Generally pesticide names were given as trade names. All pesticides had then to be identified and given their ISO common name. This was done by reference to:

- Australia, Commonwealth Department of Health 1983.
   Pesticides. Synonyms and Chemical names.
   Sixth edition, Australian Government Publishing Service, Canberra.
   (latest edition is Seventh edition, 1985).
- Meister, R.T. 1985. Farm Chemicals Handbook 1985. Meister Publishing Co., Willoughby, Ohio.
- Worthing, C.R. and Walker, S.B. 1983.
   The Pesticide Manual. A World Compendium.
   Seventh edition, British Crop Protection Council,
   Suffolk, U.K.
- Association de Co-ordination Technique Agricole 1983. 1984 Index Phytosanitaire, France, Afrique mediterrraneene et tropicale. ACTA, Paris.
- International Organisation for Standardization (ISO) 1981. Pesticides and other Agrochemicals -Common Names, 1750. First edition, 1981-12-15 (plus Addendum 1 (1983-08-15), Addendum 2(1983-12-15) and and Ammendment 1(1982-12-15).

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 Agricultural Requisites Scheme for Asia and the Pacific 1984. ARSAP Agro-Pesticide Index. ESCAP, Agriculture Division, Bangkok, Thailand.

## Table 3:

List of pesticides reported or observed to be used or recommended for use or registered for use in the following countries or territories:

American Samoa (AS), Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CN), Cook Islands (CI), Fiji (FI), French Polynesia (FP), Guam (GU), Kiribati (KI). Nauru (NA), New Caledonia (NC), Niue (NU), Papua (PN), Pitcairn Island (PI), Solomon Islands (SI), Tokelau (TK), Tonga (TG), TTPI (TT), Tuvalu Vanuatu (VA), Wallis et Futuna (WF), Western Samoa Australia (AU), and New Zealand (NZ).

Note 1: Federated States of Micronesia, Marshall Islands and Palau are grouped together under the title of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Note 2: Some chemical companies have indicated the pesticides they supplied to South Pacific countries, but have not specified which countries, hence the unspecified category 'UU'.

Note 3: Australian, New Zealand and Unspecified categories are not included when counting the number of countries recorded as using the pesticide.

This list includes all pesticides known to have been available for use in each country from 1977 to 1986. It is NOT a list of those pesticides currently registered or available now.

The superscript symbols refer to the status of the pesticide:

- i.e Xr means 'restricted':
  - Xb means 'is now banned';
  - Xn means 'not now registered'.
  - b means 'is now banned, and no record of past availability'

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<sup>1.</sup> Fenuron and monuron are no longer manufactured anywhere in the world (Dupont New Zealand, pers. comm.)
2. The following pesticides have not been commercially available in large amounts, if at all (Hoechst Australia, pers.comm.):

# 3.2 DISCUSSION

From Table 3 it can be seen that a minimum of 618 different pesticides are available in the region, and 762 are available if Australia and New Zealand are included. Australia and New Zealand are included firstly for comparison and secondly it is useful to know what pesticides are registered for use in Australia and New Zealand.

Firman (1981 - Biblio No 615) in the SPC 'Pesticide Handbook' listed only 162 pesticides as being available in the region. All the chemicals he listed are included in the updated list in Table 3, with the exception of ESP (reported by Firman to be available in Vanuatu).

However, Table 3 is not completely accurate and probably includes some errors. Some pesticides listed as available may not now be available for various reasons (withdrawn, banned, restricted, unavailable or no longer produced). Some may have been used for experimental purposes only, and as such were not commercially available. Others that may be used, might not be included in Table 3. This is so for the following reasons:

- Some respondents did not include any pesticide not on the original list of 503 (eg: Guam, New Caledonia, TTPI, Australia).
- 2. Some respondents only included or provided information on those used in agriculture and possibly excluded those used in Public Health or for household use. Most countries probably did not include pesticides used in forestry or timber treatment, or in quarantine. Some countries included pesticides being used in experimental trials only, others did not.
- 3. Many responses were found to have omissions. From my review of the literature, or from my limited observations in stores in a few of the countries, I found that many more pesticides were available than were stated in the responses to the questionnaire listing. For example, in both Vanuatu and the Solomons I found many pesticides not on the lists provided available in stores. In the case of Australia and New Zealand, I added pesticides to the lists provided after referring to the following publications:

#### For Australia:

Snellgrove, J. 1983/84. Pestlist. Microfiche A. Supgazette Registered Pesticides, 1979-82 by Suppliers, Active Constituents; Function.

- Snellgrove, J. 1985. PestList. Microfiche A. Supgazette Registered Products, 1985-88 by Suppliers, Active Constituents; Function. Department of Agriculture, Victoria.
- Queensland Agricultural College 1985. QAC-PESKEM.
  Microfiche. Preparations by Active
  Constituent. Queensland Agricultural College,
  Gatton, Queensland.

# For New Zealand:

- The Agricultural Chemicals Board 1982. Registered Agricultural Chemicals. Wellington, New Zealand.
- Pesticide Board. 1985. Unpublished Computer Printout (D. Lunn), November, 1985.
- 4. In some countries no accurate records are kept on imports and so pesticides may be imported without the knowledge of the appropriate authorities. This is certainly the case in PNG, and I suspect in most other countries, possibly excepting those with both pesticide registration and effective law enforcement (eg: Guam).
- 5. In countries without registration, or without legislation which is enforced, some formulations are imported which do not specify the active constituent (eg: in PNG three aerosols available in Port Moresby include Woolf (Hoover, Singapore), and Mortein Superconcentrated (Reckitt and Colman, N.Z. also available in the Solomons), and Scorpio (Northern Distributors, N.Z.). Woolf is known to contain dichlorvos, Scorpio was found to contain dichlorvos and propoxur, and Mortein Superconcentrated is thought to contain pyrethrins or synthetic pyrethroids. Some countries retain compounds originally imported by their previous colonial rulers (eg: in Vanuatu, one Government store contained a substance called 'oleoparaphene', recently identified as parathion).
- 6. No further information has been received from most governments since mid-1984, in which time many changes may have occurred in use patterns. However information for New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands has been updated till October 1986.

Table 3 is not a list of currently registered, or even currently used or available pesticides. It is a list of pesticides known to have been available over the last 5 - 9 years. Not all those listed are now used. For example, in Fiji some have been withdrawn from registration. These

include acifluorfen, aldrin, alphachoralose, arimiphos methyl, bentazon, carbosulfan, chlorbufam, chloridazon, chlorthal, compound 1080, demeton-S-methyl, diazinon, dicamba, dicrotophos, dieldrin, dimethoate, endosulfan, ethylene dichloride, fenthion, ferbam, iprodione, isoprocarb, metalaxyl, methabenzthiazuron, methamidophos, methazole, metribuzin, mirex, monocrotophos, oxydemeton methyl, oxyfluorfen, PCP, prometryn, propachlor, quinalphos, rotenone, sodium tetraborate, temephos, tetrachlorvinphos, thallium sulphate, thiometon, thiophanate methyl, triazophos, trifluralin, and vamidothion. gBHC (lindane) and chlordane are restricted for specific uses (pers. comm., Kumar, 1985). Many of the pesticides listed are not recommended for use, or are of no commercial value and so are no longer available, eg: in PNG, the Solomons and Tonga. In French Polynesia and TTPI the list of pesticides actually used would probably only be a fraction of that given in the Table. The lists for these countries are of permitted pesticides, in that they are registered in their metroplitan country, France or USA respectively. Unfortunately no lists are available for what is actually used.

# 3.3 Trends in Numbers of Pesticides Available

The number of different pesticides reported as available in each of the countries of the region are given below in <u>Table 4</u>, and in Figure 2. Table 4 also includes Firman's estimates (personal communication) which were the number of pesticides reported as being used in the region between 1975 and 1980.

Table 4 Number of Pesticides (a.i.) Reported as

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CNMI		81
Cook Islands	30 -	94
Fiji	52	155
French Polynesia	114	418
Guam	33	107
Kiribati		11
Nauru		2+
New Caledonia	50	207
Niue	18	42
Papau New Guinea	65	275
Pitcairn Island		6
Solomon Island	43	126
Tokelau	4	5
Tonga	40	92
TTPI	39	375
Tuvalu		8
Vanuatu	39	114
Wallis & Futuna		20
Western Samoa	26	84
Unspecified		45
Australia		514
New Zealand		315
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Aust. & N.Z.		182

a. includes CNMI

b. incomplete

Map of South Pacific showing number of

Figure 2

Most countries show a substantial increase in the number of pesticides reported as being available. However, the number indicated may not always represent the number used for the reasons given above; but also, as in French Polynesia and TTPI the list of pesticides actually used would probably only be a fraction of that given in the table. The list for these countries is of pesticides allowed to be used, that is for use in Metroplitan France and the USA.

Many pesticides not used in Australia and New Zealand are available for use. This is further discussed in Chapter 8.

A considerable number of the pesticides may have been available at some stages in the past, but are most definitely now not used. Unfortunately no lists are available for what is actually now used. Such a list needs to be compiled.

# 3.4 MOST COMMONLY AVAILABLE PESTICIDES

Table 5 lists the 59 pesticides most widely available in the region, reported as available in 10 or more countries. Those listed with an \* are pesticides not included in Firman's "Pesticide Handbook".

Table 5 list of most commonly available pesticides in South Pacific Countries.

Number of Countries in which pesticide is reported as been available	Pesticide
19	malathion (maldison)
16	warfarin
15	benomyl, captan, diazinon, dicofol, glyphosate, methyl bromide
14	carbaryl, dicrotophos*, dieldrin, mancozeb, maneb, paraquat, propoxur*, temephos*, zineb
13	brodifacoum*, copper sulphate, dichlorvos, dimethoate, diuron, 2,2-DPA, metaldehyde, methomyl, naled, permethrin, pyrethrins
12	acephate, Bacillus thuringiensis, gBHC(lindane) brodifacoum*, 2,4-D, mineral oil, petroleum oil, pirimiphos methyl, rotenone, 2,4,5-T, white oil*
11	bendiocarb*, bioresmethrin*, chlordane, copper oxychloride, dimethirimol, dinocap, tetramethrin*, thiram, trichlorfon.
10	atrazine, bromacil, carbendazin, cuprous oxide, endosulfan, fenvalerate*, MSMA, piperonyl butoxide*, sulphur, thiram tridemorph, trifluralin.

The availability of these pesticides does not indicate the quantity used. Very little, accurate information is available (or even exists) on quantities used in most countries. In chapter 4 an attempt is made to quantify pesticide use in the South Pacific.

#### 3.5 NUMBERS OF FORMULATIONS

Although 762 different pesticides (active consituents) are reported as being available in the region, including Australia and New Zealand; 620 excluding Australia and New Zealand, there are many more formulations. The only data I have been able to compile on formulations are for Fiji, PNG, Solomon Islands, Australia, and New Zealand. These are given in Table 6. Data from Fiji and Solomon Islands were provided by the Registrar of Pesticides in each country. Data from PNG was obtained from chemical companies and by visiting stores that sell and distribute pesticides in PNG, and was done with the assistance of Ms Lois Kesu who is the Chemicals Officer, Department of Environment and Conservation. A computer listing of all formulations presently commercially available from retail and wholesale distributors (including major importers, minor importers, tradestores and supermarkets) is presently being compiled for PNG. A listing of some commonly available formulations in Fiji is given in Karan (1982a - Biblio No 27; also published in Staring (1984 - Biblio No 636). Australian data was obtained from Snellgrove (1983,1984,1985) using Victorian Department of Agriculture PESTLIST and Queensland Agriculural College (1985) QAC-PESTKEM. New Zealand data were obtained from N.Z. Agricultural Chemical Board (1982, 1983, 1985). (For these references see pages 105 and 106).

Table 6 Number of Recorded Pesticides and Formulations in Fiji,
Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Australia and New
Zealand.

	No. of recorded pesticides (s.i.)		Source
Fíjí	134	496	Mowbray (1984a)
	155.		Table 3
PNG	275	824+	Kesu and Mowbray
			Table 3
Solomons Island	is 98	133	Macfarlane (1984, pers com.)
	-89	174	Abington (1986, pers com.)
	126		Table 3
Australia	370	1874	Snellgrove (PESTLIST, 1983)
	385	2186	Snellgrove (PESTLIST, 1984)
	399	2402	Snellgrove (PESTLIST, 1985) QAC-PESTKEM (1985)
	514	3:	Table 3
New Zealand	287	1213	N.Z. Agricultural Chemicals Board (1982)a
	367	962	N.Z. Agricultural Chemicals Board (1983)
	261	771	N.Z. Agricultural Chemicals Board (1985)
	315		Table 3

a. Agricultural chemicals only

Since new formulations appear regularly, and many old formulations are withdrawn or discontinued, all figures in Table 6 can only be considered as the approximate number of formulations available. In countries with registration, the numbers of formulations should be known, but in fact, numbers are difficult to determine. In Fiji, I (Mowbray, 1984a - Biblio No 625) recorded 134 pesticides as being available in 496 formulations. Subsequently further pesticides have been reported to be used. In May 1984, Kumar (pers.com.) stated that 45 of the active ingredients I noted (in Table 3) were not registered, and should not be generally available (however, some are!). I was notified by chemical companies that other pesticides listed in Table 3 were also not now registered. All such chemicals, are listed as Xn in Table 3.

As can be seen from the Australian and New Zealand data, the number of active ingredients and formulations change year to year, but the numbers are very high.

One could predict that the numbers of formulations available in

the South Pacific would also exceed 1000.

A full computerised listing of all formulations, and amounts imported and actually used in the South Pacific is needed. This would give a more accurate picture of pesticide use than this report is able to provide. This would be possible if pesticide registration procedures were implemented and enforced in the region, and all information on imports and use were forwarded to a central data bank, eg at the SPC Plant Protection Office in Fiji.

#### 3.6 SUMMARY

618 different pesticides (active ingredients) are listed as being available in the region in the last nine years; 762 if one includes Australia and New Zealand. Many of these are probably not used or only used in very small amounts. The 59 most commonly available ones (present in most countries) are given in Table 4; the two most common being malathion (an insecticide) and warfarin (a rodenticide). The numbers of pesticides reported as being available have increased possibly upto four-fold over the last ten years.

The number of formulations available in the region are most likely well in excess of 1000 (even when excluding Australia and New Zealand). A full computerised listing of all formulations currently being used in the region is needed.

#### CHAPTER 4

# QUANTITIES OF PESTICIDES USED IN SOUTH PACIFIC COUNTRIES

# 4.1 INTRODUCTION

The availability of pesticides does not indicate the quantity used. Very little, if any, accurate information is available (or even exists) on quantities used in many countries in the South Pacific. However detailed data is now available for the following eight countries:

Cook Islands, Fiji, Guam, Nuie, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Western Samoa

Little information is also available for New Caledonia and Vanuatu.

Data is taken from Staring (1984), Landell Mills (1983) or information I have collected over the last three years. The following is a summary of that information, country by country.

# 4.2 COOK ISLANDS

Staring (1984 Biblio No 636) provides the following data for 1981, which give a rough estimate of imports by value:

Table 7 Import of formulated pesticides by value into Cook Islands for 1981, in thousand \$US

Pesticide Group	Value
Insecticides	15
Herbicides	10
Fungicides	15
Total .	40

The major chemicals used are:

insecticides - malathion, permethrin, fenvalerate,

diazinon, acephate, methomyl.

herbicides - paraquat, glyphosate, diuron, bromacil

fungicides - copper oxychloride, chlorothalonil, mancozeb, benomyl

#### 4.3 FIJI

Staring (1984) provides quantative data on pesticide use in Fiji.

Table 8 Import of formulated pesticides into Fiji, 1979-1981 (where \$US 1 = approve. \$F 0.85)

Pesticide Group	Formula	tion	quantit	у			Value	B
		tric tons or kilolity		res) (in		thousand	\$US)	
	1979	1980	1981		1979	198	30 1981	
Insecticides	293	322	283 (	56)	872	85	6 1089	(46)
Herbicides	250	196	198 (	39)	996	105	0 1197	(50)
Fungicides	6	12	24 (	5)	22	(	50 93	(4)
Total	549	530	505	-	1890	196	66 2379	

Proportions of insecticides and herbicides imports vary around 50%, depending upon whether by quantity or value. The amount imported during the period remained about the same. In 1982, the most used insecticide was malathion, whilst 2,4-D and asulam were the largest selling herbicides. Staring (1984) provided a detailed list of agricultural chemicals available in Fiji.

Landell Mills (1984 Biblio No 30) evaluated the market for agrochemicals in Fiji. Data they obtained from the Bureau of Statistics for imports of agrochemicals 1982 and 1983 are given in Table 9.

Table 9 Importation of agricultural chemicals into Fiji, 1982 -1983.

Chemical	Valu	e		
	(in	thousand F\$		
	1982		1983	
			(9 months	only)
Insecticide	683		785	
Fungicides	42		45	
Herbicides	1307		643	
Other	69		-	11
Total	2101		1473	

These data are similar to those estimated by Staring (1984).

Tables 10 and 11 give in detail the total quantity and value of the main pesticides used on the main crops in Fiji. Values for herbicides estimated by Landel Mills are similar to those estimated by Staring (1984), but value of insecticides is far less, indicating that the household insecticides and those used in vector control are probably most important. Amounts (assuming active ingredients) are higher than what are estimated from Staring's data.

Table 10 Estimated total quantity of main pesticides and by crop in Fiji, 1983 (by Landell Mills, 1984) (in 000'kg or t, or kl, presumably active ingredient)

Chemical	Sugar cane	Coconut	Rice	Root Crops	Forestry	Other	Total
Insecticides and							
Nematicides							
acephate			0.7				0.7
carbaryl			1.4		100		1.4
diazinon			2.3		lai		2.3
malathion			2.6.				2.6
naled			0.2				0.2
permethrin			0.5				0.5
Total	*	nil	7.6	*	*		7.6
Fungicides							
benomyl							
captafol							na
mancozeb	2.2						na
triforine	1.0						2.2
CITIOIINE	1.0						1.0
Total	3.2	nil	*	*	*		3.2
Herbicides							
dalapon					5		5
2,4-D/2,4,5-T	79.5						79.5
2,4-D	1.2						1.2
2,4-D/ioxynil	4						4
2,4-D/asulam/							
ioxynil	95						95
hexazinon/diuron	11.3						11.3
MCPA			10			*	10
paraquat	5				100	*	105
proponil	~		15		53-70		15
thiobencarb			10				10
Total	196	*	35	*	105		336
Grand Total all pesticides	199	*	42.6	*	105		347

<sup>\*</sup> insignificant quantities, values unknown. na data not available

Table 11 Estimated total value of main pesticides used by crop in Fiji, 1983 (by Landell Mills, 1984) in '000 F \$, where US\$1 = F \$ 0.95 ).

Chemical	Sugar cane	Coconut	Rice	Root Crops	Forestry	Other	Total
Insecticides and					n n		
Nematocides							
acephate		17.	14.4				
carbaryl			8,8				
diazinon			16				
malathion			10.4				
naled			1.6				
permethrin			8.0				
Total	*	níl	59.2	*	*	*	59.2
Fungicides							
benomy1						8.8	8.8
captafol	9.8						8.8
mancozeb	9.8						9.8
triforine	6.7						6.7
Total	26.3	níl	*	*	*	*	34.1
Herbicides							
dalapon (2,2 DPA)						10.7	10.7
2.4-D/2,4,5-T	374						347
2,4-D	3.2						3.2
2,4-D/ioxynil	19.5						19.5
2,4-D/asulam/ ioxynil	462						462
hexazinon/diuron	75.6						75.6
MCPA	,,,,		16.4			*	16.4
paraquat	13.3			*	267	20	300
proponil			33		-	THE CO.	33
thiobencarb			36				36
Total	921		85.4		278	34.7	1303
Grand Total	947	nil	145	*	278	-	1397

<sup>\*</sup> insignificant quantities, values unknown.

#### 4.4 GUAM

Data does exist for Guam on pesticide usage by farmers, and for commercial and industrial use (Guam Environmental Protection Agency, GEPA) (1975 - Biblio No 145; 79 - Biblio No 140; 83 - Biblio No 139), and Bjork (1983, 84 - Biblio nos 120,121). Bjork (1983, 1984) conducted farmer surveys through 1981-83, and analysed Guam EPA data.

Data given in Table 12 is derived by me from unpublished data provided to Bjork by Guam EPA.

Table 12 Annual sale of (presumably formulated) pesticides in Guam in 1981.

Pesticide Group	Formulation Quantity (thousand kg or kilolitres)
Insecticides	4.9
Herbicides	2.1
Fungicides	0.6
Others	0.1
Total	7.8

In 1981 the most used pesticides formulations were in order (in 1000 kg or kilolitres): malathion (1.3), diuron (1.2), diazinon (1.1), carbaryl (1.0), naled (0.7), 2,2-DPA (dalapon; 0.6) mancozeb (0.3). In 1983, Brewer Chemical Company sold 2.4 kilolitres of chlordane, 1.9 kg of DowponR (2,2-DPA) and 1.3 kg of diuron. Bjork (1984) found that the most used pesticides by farmers in 1983 were still (in 1000 kg or kilolitres): diazinon (1.3), carbaryl (1.0), and malathion (0.7).

Other pesticides commonly used in Guam include, acephate, aldrin, allethrin, 2-amino benizimid azole, Bacillus thuriengiensis, chlorphyrifos, diphacinone, fenthion, metaldhyde, propoxur, pyrethrins.

#### 4.5 NEW CALEDONIA

No precise data exists on the amounts of pesticides used in New Caledonia. However the most used pesticides are reported by Amice (pers. comm.) to be:

azinphos, benomyl, gBHC, captafol, copper, 2,4-D, deltamethrin, diazinon, dieldrin, endosulfan, glyphosate, linuron, malathion, mancozeb, maneb, metaldehyde, metribuzin, methamidophos, methomyl, paraquat, parathion, 2,4,5-T, thiophanate-methyl, warfarin.

#### 4.6 NIUE

Staring (1984) provides the following data for 1981, which are rough estimates of imports.

Table 13 Import of formulated pesticides into Niue in 1981.

Formulations quantity		Value
(in metric tons or kilolitres)	(in	'000 \$US
1.5		12.0
1.5		22.5
0.5		4.0
3.5		38.5
	(in metric tons or kilolitres)  1.5 1.5 0.5	(in metric tons or (in kilolitres)  1.5 1.5 0.5

The major chemicals used include paraquat, mancozeb and copper oxychloride.

#### 4.7 PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Detailed information on pesticide use in given in Mowbray and Sutherland (1986 - Biblio No 393). Information was obtained both from industry and the National Statistics Office. Data are somewhat conflicting but give a reasonable idea of the quantities imported, and their value. Further information was obtained from Landell Mills (1984 - Biblio No 391).

Table 14 summarises the amounts of pesticides imported into PNG by formulation and active ingredients and their value, for 1978 and 1982, as estimated by Mowbray and Sutherland (1986). This data were obtained from statistics provided to Sutherland and me by the major importers of pesticides, both companies and the Health department.

Table 14 Import of Pesticides by weight and value into PMG, in 1978 and 1982

Pesticide Group	Formulation	Quantity	Active	Ingredi	ents
PERCENT : A SY W	in metric to		in	metric	tons
	1978	1982	1978		1982
Insecticides	132	143	76		74
Herbicides	267	467	114		188
Fungicides	9	21	5		9
Other	12	6	1		0.01
Total	420	637	195		271

The major pesticides used in PNG are given in Tables 15 -17 which list them in their groups, and in decreasing order of quantity of active ingredient used, and changes in use patterns over this period. Paraquat was by far the most used pesticide in 1982, with DDT the second most. Both probably still are, though the amount of DDT being used in vector control is decreasing dramatically.

Individual companies in PMG maintain data on pesticide imports but this data is not generally available and although supplied to me, and to PMG Government, it is company confidential information. Accordingly Tables give only amounts by range.

In 1986 when coffee rust badly effected coffee trees, particularly in Highlands' provinces, the PMG Government imported 6000 litres of Bayleton (triadimefon) and 300 kg of Plantwar (oxycarboxin). Also used were copper oxychloride and Vigit (diclobutrazol). The quantities of fungicides have increased greatly since 1982. As can be seen from data provided by the Mational Statistics Office (Table 18), the quantities of all pesticides imported, not only fungicides, have increased greatly. In 1985 3.6 million PMG Kina's worth of over 1.3 million kg or litres of formulated pesticide was being imported.

Table 15 Herbicide sales/imports for 1978 and 1982 (in order of quantity of a.i. for 1982) and percentage change in sales.

Amount of Active	Common Name			chang		
Ingredient	(Alcours)	2020	10	n sale	3	
'000kg	1978	1982				
>50	-		+	140	(+	20) <sup>a</sup>
>30	paraquet	-				
	da lapon					
>20	*	dalapon		30		
		atrazine		2400		
>10	2,4-D	diuron		260		
		ametryne		new		
		terbutryn		new		
> 5	diuron	2,4-D		30		
	MSMA	MSMA	-	40		
	2,4,5-1					
> 3	glyphosate	2,4,5-1	_	50		
		simazine		new		
< 3	MCPA	MCPA		new		
	atrazine	amitrole		new		
	bromacil	glyphosate	1	80		
	tetrapion	bromacil -	+	180		
	sodium chlorate	MCPB		new		
	picloram	alachlor		пем		
		sethoxydim		new		
		sodium chlorate	+	400		
		diquat		пем		

The amount of paraquat for 1982 may be an overestimate since the figure provided by one company was excessively high. No correction has been made for this in other tables.Paraquat sales in 1983 increased 90 % over 1978 sales.

Imble 16 Insecticide sales/imports for 1978 and 1982 (in order of quantity of a.i. for 1982 ) and percentage change in sales. (includes that imported by Pharmaceutical Services).

Amount of Active	Common Nar	Re		change	
Ingredient			in	sales	
	1978	1982			
50	DDT (PS)				
40		DDT (PS)	-	11	
5	white oil	DOT	+	230	
> 4		diazinon		3220	
2		white oil		50	
> 3	acephate	-			
> 2	dichlorvos	melathion	+	68	
> 1	DOT	acephate		50	
	g HCH (lindane)	carbaryl		new	
	malathion	ms thomy l	+	30	
	dieldrin				
>0.5	mathomyl	g HCH (lindene)	-	60	
	monocratophas	disldrin	-	60	
		pirimiphos methyl	+	300	
		chlordane	+	40	
		monocrotophos	¥	40	
0.5	chlordane	permethrin a		new	
C 100 (10 (10 (10 (10 (10 (10 (10 (10 (10	endrin	trichlorfon	+	60	
	trichlorfon	methyl bromide		0	
	dimethoate	dimethoate	-	30	
	methyl bromide	dichlorvos	-	100	
	amitraz	aluminium phosphide		new	
	pirimiphos methyl	formothion		new	
	coumaphos	temephos		пен	
	diazinon	15 - 7 -			
	endosul fan				
	tetrachlorvinphos				
	crotoxphos				

a 50% permethrin exported to Solomon Islands.

Table 17 Fungicide sales/imports for 1978 and 1982 (in order of quantity of s.i. for 1982 ) and percentage change in sales.

Amount of active	Common Name	1	%	change
Ingredient			in	sales
'000kg	1978	1982		
> 4	-	copper oxychloride/ oxide	+	100
> 2	copper oxychloride/oxide	*		
> 1	-	mancozeb	+	60
>0.5	captafol	captafol	-	20
	mancozeb	carbendizim	+	250
>0.25	*	metalaxyl		new
(0.25	binapacryl	thiophanate methyl		new
	zineb	benomy 1	+	220
	benomy I	binapacryl	+	120
	captan	chlorothalonil		new
	carbendizim	captan	+	180
		fentin hydroxide		new
		thirm		new
		zineb	+	20

Table 18 Summary of Amounts and Value of Imports into PNG of Formulated Pesticides by type, from 1982 - 1985

Type of pesti	cide			Quantit	y (Q)		Value	(V)		
		1982	1983	in kg or 1984	litres)	1982	(in PNG 1983	Kina) 1984	1985 <sup>b</sup>	
Insecticide	Q/V	397213	456652	460643	537909	1156673	1135969	1357285	1342199	
	%	50	45	36	41	56	46	38	37	
ungicide	Q/V	48674	91855	141166	167165	70953	123473	453892	814897	
	*	6	9	11	13	3	5	13	23	
Herbicide	Q/V	307484	401778	581012	485038	778102	1100099	1551387	1226411	
	%	39	40	46	37	37	45	43	34	
Others <sup>C</sup>	Q/V	34365	56408	89119	110250	77140	109643	205483	237868	
	*	4	6	7	8	4	4	, 6	7	
Total	Q	787736	1006693	1271940	1300362	2082868	2469184	3568047	3621375	

a National Statistics Office

Landell Mills (1984 - Biblio No 391) did a market survey of agrochemical use in South East Asia and the Pacific. Part of this survey included an evaluation of the market in PNG.

Tables 19 - 20 give in detail the total quantity and value of the main pesticides used on the main crops in PNG.

b Preliminary data only; have not been check edited

c includes rodenticides, nematicides, molluscides and other pesticides; the last could include unspecified pesticides.

Table 19 Estimated total quantity of main pesticides used by crop in PNG 1983 (by Landell Mills, 1984) ('000 kg or t, or kl, presumably active ingredient)

Chemical	Coffee	Cocoa	Copra	Oil Palm	Tea	Rubber	Sugarcane	Cardeman	Total
Insecticides and									
Nematicides									
dieldrin	5								
dichlorvos									
fenthion									
malathion	8				ΝĎ		-		
Total	13	•	*	*	*	•	*	nil	13
Fungicides									
copper oxychloride	10								
cuprous oxide									
metalaxyl		*							
Total	10	*	nil	nil	•	•	•	nil	10
Herbicides									
emetryn	20	5					15		40
atrazine		*					20		20
diuron	10								10
fluarifop-butyl									
glyphosate		•	*	6					6
paraquat	80	40 <sup>a</sup>			7.5	**			128
simazine	18								18
Total	128	45		6	7.5	**	35	•	222
Grant Total all pesticides	151	45	•	6	7.5	**	35		245

insignificant quantities, values unknown

<sup>\*\*</sup> very small amounts used, values and amounts unknown.

a. thought to be an underestimate.

Table 20 Estimated total value of main pesticides by crop in PNG, 1983 (by Landell Mills, 1984) (in thousand kina, where in 1983 1 US\$ = 0.85 kina)

Chemicals	Coffee	Cocoa	Copra	Oil Palm	Tea	Rubber	Sugar Cane	Cardaman	Tota
Insecticides and									
Vematicides									
dieldrin	25								25
dichlorvos									*
fenthion									•
malathion	15						× .		15
Total	40	•	•	•	•		•	nil	40
Fungicides									
copper oxychloride	20	(5							25
cuprous oxide	A) (10.72								*
metalaxyl		*							*
Total	20	5	nil	nil	*		•	nil	25
Herbicides									
ametryn	80	20					60		160
atrazine	-					45	40		40
diuron	30								30
fluarifop-methyl	2.0								*
glyphosate				100					100
paraquat	240	120			23	典數			383
simazine	54							•	54
Total	404	140		100	23	**	100	*	767
Grand Total all pesticides	464	, 145		100	23	**	100	*	832

<sup>\*</sup> insignificant, values unknown

Overall the Landell Mill's estimates of pesticides use are summarised in Table 20. Herbicides comprise 90% of quantity and value of pesticides used in agriculture. 50% of the herbicide used is paraquat. Most pesticides are used on coffee. The estimates for 1983 on quantity of active ingredient used are not too different from those given in Table \*\* 14, which also includes 52 metric tons of DDT which is mainly used in PNG for vector control. However since these estimates are for agricultural chemicals only, they grossly under-estimate the value of total pesticide imports, which, as given in Table 18, was estimated to be about 2.5 million kina in 1983 (and 3.6 million in 1985). This also includes 0.8 million kina for household insecticide and repellent formulation, on top

<sup>##</sup> very small amounts used, values and amounts unknown.

of the total 1.1 million kina's worth of total herbicides.

Table 21 Estimated value of pesticide market for PNG in 1983, by Landell Mills (1984).

Chemicals	Quantity	Retail Value
	('000kg or t or k1)	(thousand kina)
		1  US = 0.85  kina
Insecticides	13	40
Fungicides	10	25
Herbicides	222	767
Rodenticides	n.a.	<sup>7</sup> ~ 5
Total	245	837

#### 4.8 SOLOMONS ISLANDS

Staring (1984) also gives data on value of imports of formulated pesticides in the Solomon Islands, as shown in Table 22 together with figures tabulated by me.

Table 22 Import of formulated pesticides by value into Solomon Islands, 1978- 1981, in thousand \$US (where \$US 1 = \$SI 1)

Pesticides	1978	1979	1980	1981	1981	(Mowbray)
Insecticides	na	na	na	419 (58)	283	
Herbicides	na	na	na	292 (40)	205	
Fungicides	na	na	na	8	5	
Other	na	na	na	5	4	
Total	411	489	643	724	507	

More insecticides were used than herbicides, and the amount (by value) was increasing. The major products include parathion, malathion, acephate, DDT, paraquat, MSMA, 2,4-D and glyphosate. The majority of pesticides imported were mainly used in three large commercial projects growing rice, oil palm and coconuts and cocoa. Much of it was used on rice. However Cyclone Namu in mid 1986 decimated the crops and use of many of these pesticides will presumably be far less in the foreseeable future.

## 4.9 TONGA

From data provided to me by Von Keyserlingk (Tonga, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forests, 1983), I calculated the following estimates of quantities and value of imports into Tonga for 1982-1983.

Table 23 Imports of pesticides into Tonga, 1982-1983.

Pesticides Group	Formulation (in metric	Active ingredient	Value (in thousand \$US)
	tons or litres)	kilo-	(in metric tons)
Insecticides	10.5	2.5	32
Herbicides	3	0.9	24
Fungicides	6	3.8	26
Others	0.6	0.02	1
Total	20	7.2	83

Approximately one third of insecticides and fungicides were provided as hurricane relief, and are not included in the value. An estimate of the actual quantities of major pesticides is as follows (given in thousand kilograms: mancozeb (2.7), malathion (1.1), paraquat (0.8), carbofuran (0.5), carbaryl (0.5), benomyl (0.4).

G.S.Elliot of BASF (pers.com.) believes that the fungicide figure of 6000kg is too low; this amount would be used on bananas alone. Similarly he believes that much higher quantities of carbofuran and benomyl (used on bananas) were used. Benomyl has since been replaced by tridemorph. He believes that the quantities for 1982-1983 were low due to the damage to crops caused by the hurricanes in these years, and that the amounts now used are much greater.

# 4.10 VANUATU

No detailed data exists on quantities of pesticides used. The major products are reported by Staring (1984) to be

captan, 2,4-D, diazinon, DDT, dimethoate, endosulfan, linuron, malathion, maneb, metaldehyde, naled, paraquat, and 2,4,5-T.

### 4.11 WESTERN SAMOA

From Fryauff (1982 - Biblio No 518), I estimated the following amounts of pesticides imported into Western Samoa for 1981.

Table 24 Import of formulated pesticides into Western Samoa in 1981

Pesticide Group	Formulation Quantity (metric tons or kilolitres)	Value (in thousand	\$US)
insecticides	4	16	
herbicides	47	197	
fungicides	142	87	
other	13	13	
Total	207	313	

Major pesticides imported into Western Samoa are banana misting oil (petroleum oil; 93% of all fungicides), paraquat (>97% of all herbicides), and in smaller quantities carbendazim, mancozeb, maneb, tridemorph, benomyl, diazinon, ethoprophos, gBHC (lindane) permethrin and trichlorfon. G.S. Elliot of BASF (pers. com.) believes that the amount of fungicide should be closer to 40,000 kg; the above well over-estimates the amounts used.

# 4.11 SUMMARY OF QUANTITIES OF PESTICIDES USED IN SOUTH PACIFIC

Table 25 and Figure 3 summarise the total quantities of pesticides used in selected South Pacific countries and territories. The breakdown of types of pesticides used in these countries, by value are shown in Figure 4.

Map of South Pacific showing quantities of pesticides used in selected countries

Figure 3

Figure 4 Drawings showing proportions of major types of pesticides used in selected South Pacific countries, by value; and for South East Asia.

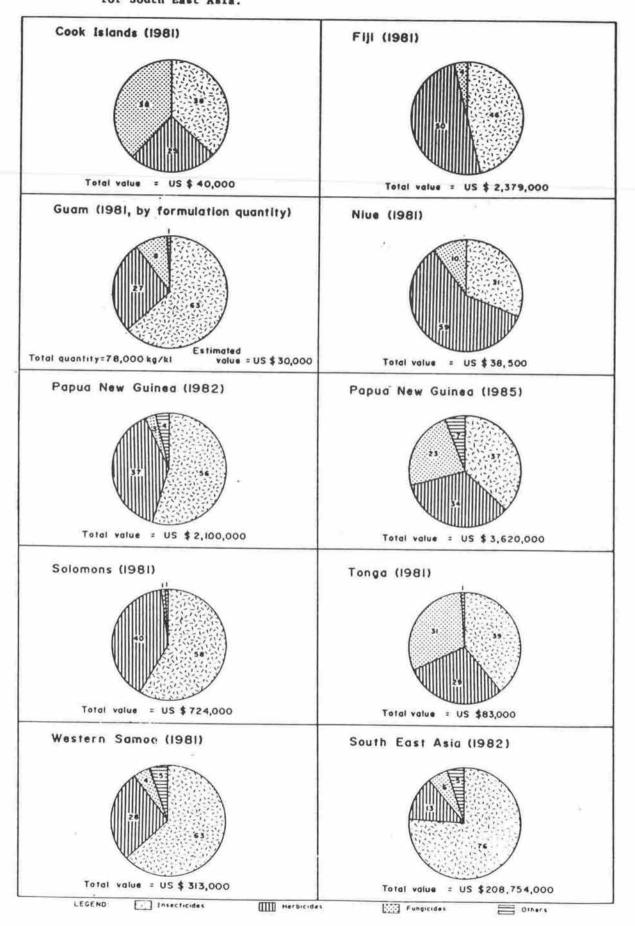


Table 25 Comparison of total quantities of pesticides used in South Pacific Countries.

Co	untry	Period	Quantity by Formulation 1000 kg or kilolitres	Quantity by Active Ingredient 1000 kg or kilolitres	Quantity Value thousand	257000
ī.	Cook					
	Island	1981	-	-	40	
2.	Fiji	1981	505	o <del>u</del> t. F	2379	
3.	Guam	1981	8	: <u>-</u>	39	
4.	Niue	1981	4	-		
5.	PNG(NSO)	1982	788	4	2083	
	(companie		637	271		
		1985	1300		3621	
6.	Solomon					
	Islands	1981			-	
7.	Tonga	1982-83	20	7.2	83	
8.						
	Samoa		207	7 <u>4</u> 1	313	

Papua New Guinea and Fiji are the two major users of those countries where data on quantities used are available. In the South Pacific overall herbicides are used in greater quantities than all other pesticides. The situation (re formulation quantity) can be summarised as follows:

#### Herbicides most used:

Fiji(agriculture), Niue, PNG(agriculture), Western Samoa

#### Insecticides most used:

Cook Islands (with fungicides), Fiji (total), Guam, PNG(total), Solomon Islands, Tonga.

# 4.12 COMPARISON WITH SOUTH EAST ASIA AND THE REST OF THE WORLD.

By comparison to South East Asian countries, the amounts of pesticides used in the Pacific is small.

Both RENPAF (1985) and Staring (1984) have published data for South East Asia. RENPAF (Regional Network for Production Marketing and Control of Pesticides in Asia and the Far East) is a regional agency funded jointly by member countries and UNIDO. Its members included Afghaniston, Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Korea, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka and Thailand.

RENPAF commenced collecting data on pesticides use in its member countries in 1983, and published it in 1985 (RENPAF, 1985). ESCAP (Economic Commission for Asia and the Pacific), through its Agricultural Requisites Scheme for Asia and the Pacific (ARSAP) spent six years amassing data on pesticide use in South East Asian Countries. Staring (1984) summarised then findings in a 223 page book. Countries included some of those covered by RENPAF, but also China, Malaysia, Nepal and the following South Pacific countries: Cook Islands, Fiji, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu and Western Samoa.

In Tables 26 and 27 comparisons are made of quantities of pesticides used in South East Asian countries, with those for the Papua New Guinea and other South Pacific countries.

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Table 26 Comparison of Total Use of Pesticides by Country in South East Asia and the Pacific, 1981-1982 (1981 data is taken from Staring (1984), and 1982 data from RENPAF(1985).

Country		Formulation (in metric tons		Active ingredient (in metric tons or		Retai	l Value	Percenta	ge
						(in thousand			
		or kiloli	tres)	kilolitre	es)	\$U	5)	locally	imported
		1981	1982	1981	1982	1981	1982	formulated	
1.	Afghanistan	275	235	250	210	150		0	100
2.	Bangladesh	4000	1969	650	697	7000		35	65
3.	China	500000	-	140000		900000		99	1
4.	India	130000	513896	52364	40543	480000		95	5
5.	Indonesia	22750	49668	6828	9433	35000		80	20
6.	Malaysia	25000	-	8000		70000		45	55
7.	Nepa 1	550	4	69		800		45	55
8.	Pakistan	5400	7375	1348	232	31000		60	40
9.	Philippines	31000	29231	4500	5178	70000		90	10
0.	Republic of								
	Korea	126284	104473	15993	16748	237156		99	1
1.	Sri Lanka	2773	2453	1014	200	7987		64	36
2.	Thailand	348000	28857	10500	1951	130000		52	48
			a		а		а		
	Total	882,832	738,157	241,516	75,192	1,969,093	719,113		
3.	Papua New		t	)				<del></del>	
	Guinea	550	637 788	200	271	1800	2083	<1°	99
4.	South Pacifi	c 900	20 2	250	7-	3700		<1°	99
	(Cook Island	s,				. *			
	Guam, Fiji, Niue,					9			
	Solomon Isla	nds,				2 × 16	2 9		
	Vanuatu and Western								
	Samoa)	,						ay 1	
	Total	1450	<del></del>	450	78.	5500			

a not include China, Malaysia, Nepal

b depending upon source

c Fiji and PNG do small amount of formulation.

Table 27

Gives a further comparison, which compares the amounts of agricultural pesticides in selected Asian countries, with that in Australia, and PNG.

	Quantity of Active Ingredient in metric tons	Value in thousand \$US		
China	133075	n.a.		
India	27248	n.a.		
Indonesia	6584	57894		
Japan	81458	1536586		
Pakistan	1101	20418		
Philippines	3509	26093		
Republic of Ko	rea 15234	197173		
Thailand	9786	107420		
Australia	9778	163456		
PNG	271	2500		

By comparison to South East Asian countries, the amounts of pesticides used in PNG and the rest of the Pacific, both overall and in agriculture is very small; but it is of increasing importance to the region.

In most South East Asian countries, insecticides are extensively used, whilst herbicides and fungicides are only used in much smaller proportions (see Figure 4); an exception is Malaysia where herbicides are extensively used. An unknown source quotes Wachter and Staring who reported that in 1978 paraquat and glyphosate had a share of 25% and 10% of the total pesticide market in Malaysia; in 1981 the following four herbicides constituted a major part of the market: paraquat (30%), glyphosate (8%), dalapon (10%), and 2,4 - D amine (8%).

These compare with Pacific countries where often herbicides are the most important ( see 4.12), and in particular paraquat.

The following pesticides are reported by UNIDO (1983) and Staring (1984) to be the most commonly used agricultural pesticides in 12 countries of South East Asia:

benomy1	(F)	glyphosate	(H)
butachlor	(H)	HCH (BHC)	(I)
captan	(F)	IBP	(F)
carbary1	(I)	isoprothiolane	(F/I)
carbofuran	(I)	malathion	(1)
carboxin	(F)	mancozeb	(F)
cartap	(I)	methamidophos	(1)
chlorpyrifos	(I)	methomyl	(I)
copper oxychloride	(F)	methyl bromide	(FUM)
cypermethrin	(I)	methyl parathion	(I)
2,4 - D	(H)	monocrotophos	(I)
2,2 DPA (dalapon)	(H)	paraquat	(H)
DDT	(I)	phenthoate	(I)
diazinon	(I)	thiobencarb	(H)
dimethoate	(I)	tridemorph	(F)
disulfoton	(I)	zinc phosphide	(R)
endosulphan	(I)	zineb	(F)
endrin	(I)		X3.161
fenitrothion	(I)		
fenthion	(I)		

where F = fungicide, H = herbicide, I = insecticide FUM = fumigant R = rodenticide

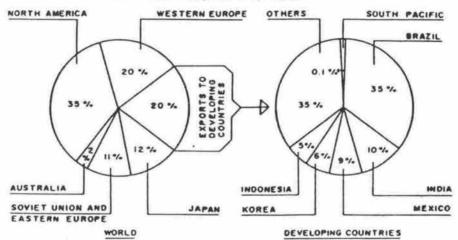
Formulation of pesticides is done in many South East Asian countries, see Table 26. China, India, Philippines and the Republic of Korea all locally formulated more than 90% of their pesticides. In the Pacific less than a fraction of a percent is formulated, and only in Fiji and PNG. The amounts of formulation (in million \$US) that occurs in China (900) and India (480) is large by world standards and place them with the ten largest producers, who are (with values in 1983 in \$US millions): Bayer (1500), Ciba-Geigy (1320), Monsanto (1167), Shell (720), ICI (695), Rhone-Poulenc (630), Hoechst (620), DuPont (580), BASF (568) and Dow (565) (from Weir, 1986 - Pub.No Ul3). Korea (237) would also rate amongst the top 20 agrochemical producers.

Figure 5 shows an estimate of the overall proportion of pesticides used in the South Pacific on a world scale. (constructed from a drawing taken from Spurrier, 1985). Note that I suspect that the market values are for pesticides produced mainly by the large multinational agrochemical producers and do not include that produced in China. Hence the percent value for the South Pacific would be far smaller than 0.1%.

Pigure 5

Drawing showing proportion of pesticides used in the South Pacific compared to the rest of the world.

# WORLD PESTICIDE MARKET (US \$13,000 million end-user sales value in 1981) - excluding non-crop outlets-



MODIFIED FROM DATA PUBLISHED BY WOOD MACKENZIE AND CO

# 5.1 PESTICIDE IMPORTERS AND DISTRIBUTORS WITHIN COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

The number and types of importers and distributors vary from country to country. They include large and small chemical companies (some multinational), small wholesalers and retailers and government departments. Some data on the situation are given in <u>Table 2</u>. Refer Question 2.2. Further information was obtained from Staring (1984 - Biblio No 636)), and Landell Mills (1985 - Biblio Nos 30, 391).

A summary of the situation follows:

In some countries there are a number of large companies, some multinational, and a multitude of small wholesalers and retailers who import and distribute pesticides. These countries include:

Fiji French Polynesia New Caledonia Papua New Guinea

In one country there are a large number of small wholesalers and retailers who import and distribute pesticides; the US Military also import their own, ie:

Guam

In other countries, one or a few small wholesalers or retailers import pesticides of all kinds. Governments may also import some. These countries include:

Tonga Tuvalu Vanuatu

In yet other countries, most pesticides are imported by a government department (generally the agricultural department), although there may be a few small wholesalers or retailers also importing pesticides. These include:

American Samoa
Cook Island (Government Stores)
Kiribati (agricultural pesticides by Government, household
pesticides and aerosols by private shop owners)

Niue TTPI (Agriculture Department) Western Samoa (Government Store) In one country, there are a few small wholesalers or retailers but most pesticides are imported directly by the major agricultural and timber companies. This is

Solomon Islands

In some countries only the Government imports pesticides. These are:

Pitcairn Island Tokelau

Few pesticides are produced in the South Pacific region. Formulation is only reported in Fiji and PNG. In Fiji, one company prepared formulations in the past and another company (Ag Chem ) is about to commence formulating there. In PNG, one large company (ICI) and three smaller companies (Belltek Laboratories, Koppers, Morobe Pharmacy) do small amounts of formulation, having imported technical material. One company (Kagamuga Natural Products) is producing a concentrated extract from locally grown pyrethrin. This unrefined or waxy concentrate is then exported for formulation.

Some of the major companies involved in the region are listed in Table 28.

Table 28 List of major importers into the South Pacific region. by country or territory.

(\* is major importer)

Country/Territory	Companies importing pesticides
American Samoa	Plus Exterminating.
CNMI	Farmers' Market, Joeten.
Cook Islands	Triad Enterprises Ltd, Cook Island Trading Co. Ltd, Turners and Growers Ltd.
Fiji	Ag Chem., Dupont, Fiji Chemicals, Flick, ICI, May and Baker, Morris Hedstrom, Punja & Sons, Rentokil, Shell, South Pacific Chemicals
French Polynesia	Agritech, Societe de Development de l'Agriculture et de la Peche (SDAP), Tahiti Produits, Sheltex.
Guam	CIVILIAN: Ace Hardware, Benson Hardware, Brewer Chemical Corporation*, Farmers Co-operative Market*, Gibson's, Island Chemical Co., Home Improvement Centre, Joeten, Mac's Services, MVP Enterprises, Oceanic Hardware, Pacific Wholesalers, Payless Market, Pestex Co., Sanico, Smith Co, SPI, Texol Inc., Unitech MILITARY: AAFB Regional Base Exchange, Naval Base Exchange.
New Caledonia	Co-operative Centrale Agricole, ICC, La Caledonienne, Maison de l'Horticulture, Renault, SICA-NC, SIFRA, Vetophyt
Niue a	Fruit Growers Ltd (NZ), ICI, Shell, Yates, Ivon Watkins-Dow.
Papua New Guinea	Farmset*, Flick, Harcros*, ICI*, Koppers KK Kingston, Reckitt and Colman.
Solomon Islands	Greenacres
Conga	Commodities Board, Farmers Federation, Fua'o e Fonua, Morris Hedstrom, Shell.
anuatu	Vanuatu Agricultural Supplies
lestern Samoa	Burns Philp, Government Agricultural Store, Morris Hedstrom.

a. These companies presumably export from New Zealand.

In most countries small wholesalers and retailers directly import household insecticides (eg aerosols) and/or pesticide pharmaceuticals (eg anti-lice washes). Health Departments may import pesticides for public health programs, and the Agriculture Departments of a number of the nations import pesticides directly.

Most information is available from PNG. Most pesticides (by quantity) are imported by three major companies Farmset, ICI and Harcros. Those pesticides they imported into PNG in 1985 are listed in Table 29. Further information on retailers and other distributors who sell pesticides is presently being entered onto a computer list by the author and Lois Kesu, the pesticide co-ordinator. In 1986 an 'Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Association' was established in PNG, with the aims of both to represent the industry re registration matters and to ensure responsible practices amongst its members.

Karan (1982b - Biblio No 28) summarised the organisation of retail distribution of pesticides in Fiji. Staring (1984 - Biblio No 636) lists some of the main pesticide suppliers within both Fiji and some South Pacific countries; all major suppliers are listed in Table 28.

No information is available for Nauru or Wallis et Futuna.

## 5.2 MAJOR EXPORTING COUNTRIES

Most pesticides used in the South Pacific region are imported from Australia and/or New Zealand. For example, on average, 50% of the imports into PNG in 1982-1986 were from Australia. Many of the Australian and New Zealand multinational chemical companies distribute their products throughout the South Pacific region. These are given (with details) in section 5.3.

Many of those imported into French Polynesia and New Caledonia are imported from France. Major French companies which export into these territories include Procida and Rhone-Poulenc Agrochimie.

However, the sources of imported pesticides are not restricted to these 'metropolitan' countries. The list of countries from which pesticides are exported into Papua New Guinea, for example, is long and varied, see Table 30.

Table 29 Pesticides, by active ingredient, imported into Papua New Guinea by the three major suppliers in 1985.

Pesticide	Farmset	Hanna	Suppl	ier/Importer					
		Harcros	ICI	Pesticide	Farmset	Harcros		ICI	
acephate	×		×	mancozeb					
alachior	×			HCPA		x .		×	
aluminium phosphide			×	metalaxyl	×	×		×	
ametryn	×	×	7	metaldehyde		×			
amitrole	×			methidathion		×			
arsenic trioxide		×		methomy!		×			
atrazine	x	×	×	methyl bromide		×		×	
be nowy ]		×	^	metolachior		×		×	
g BHC (lindane)	×	×	x	mercury oxide		×			
bioresmethrin		×		mineral oil		×			
borax	×	*			×				
brodifacoum		×	×	mercury oxide		×			
bromoxyni1		×	^	MSMA		×			
captafol	×	P	-	paraquat		(x)		×	
captan		×	×	permethrin				×	
carbaryl		\$	-	phosmet		×			
carbendazim		2 *	×	phyamone				×?	
carbofuran		×		picloram		×			
chlordane		×		piperony! butoxide		×			
chloropicrin		: <b>X</b>	×	pirimiphos methyl		×			
chlorothalonil		*		promacyl					
ch loroxuron		×		prometryn		×		Û	
copper hydroxide		×		pyrethrods				v	
copper oxychloride	×	×		sethoxydim		x		×	
creosote	2	×		simazine		×		×	
cyhalothrin		×		sodium arsenite		×			
2,4-D	×		×	sodium borate		×			
dazomet		×	*	sulphamezathene		272		2.1	
100		×		2,4,5-7		×		×	
diazinon		- x	×	temephos		-		×	
dichlorophen	х .	×		terbuthylazine		×		×	
lichlorvos		×		terbutryn	×	.77 I			
lieldrin	1227	×		tetramethrin		÷.			
licamba	x	×	×	triclopyr		Û			
iuron		×		trichlorfon					
iquat	×	×	×	tridemorph		0			
,2 DPA			×	warfarin	×				
ndosulphan	×	x	×	white oil					
thokem			×	zineb		122		×	
atty alcohol			x ?			×			
enitrothion		×							
luazifop butyl		×							
wazirop butyl		×	×						
rmaldehyde			×						
yphosate	×	×	×						
drocarbon oil	×								
dofenphas		x .							
lathion	×		×						

Table 30 Countries which have exported pesticides to Papua New Guinea.

Australia Isreal Austria Italy Belgium Korea (Republic of/ South) Canada Malaysia China Netherlands Czechoslavakia New Zealand Denmark Norway Fiji Philippines France Singapore Switzerland Germany (East) Germany (Federal/ West) Taiwan Thailand HongKong Japan United Kingdom India United Soviet Socialist Indonesia Republics (USSR) Iraq United States of America (USA)

A compilation of import statistics listing the amounts of major groups of pesticides imported into PNG from each country from 1982 - 1986 is given in Mowbray (in press - Biblio No 393).

## 5.3 MAJOR AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND COMPANIES EXPORTING INTO THE SOUTH PACIFIC.

In order to determine the main suppliers of pesticides in the South Pacific a letter was sent in December 1985 (and again in August 1986) to some of the companies listed as proprietors of registered pesticides in the New Zealand Pesticide Register, or on the PESTKEM or PESTLIST microfiches, published in Australia.

In this letter the objectives of the SPREP Pesticide Project were included (p) (1.1) together with a copy of the Ambio review (Mowbray, 1986). Companies were requested to include their comments on the Ambio paper. Many did, and their comments have been, where appropriate, incorporated into the text. Their main criticism was concerning the section in the Ambio paper on banned or restricted pesticides. Extremely useful comments were received from Bayer (New Zealand), BASF (New Zealand), Dupont (New Zealand) and Hoechst (Australia).

Also included in the letter was a draft of Table 3. Companies were requested to make additions/corrections to this list, and to supply information on pesticides exported to the countries, by active ingredient, formulated product, amounts and value.

Nearly all companies were unable to be specific as to the quantities and values of pesticides distributed to specific countries since they considered this information confidential.

Further information on companies operating in South Pacific was got from Staring (1984, Biblio No 636), and by visiting Renault Chemicals (Noumea).

In this section an alphabetical list of the main companies is provided, together with information on the chemicals they supply to South Pacific countries, where provided.

#### 5.3.1 AMALGAMATED CHEMICALS LIMITED

AUSTRALIA address:

Amalgamated Chemicals Limited (ACL) Queensland Branch PO Box 355 Hamilton Centrol 4007 Queensland

ACL products distributed to each company are listed in the table below by active ingredient and country. ACL has discontinued supplying captafol, captan and 2,4, -T to the region. ACL sales to the region would total around one quarter of a million Australian dollars per annum.

Table 31 Pesticides distributed by Amalgamated Chemicals (ACL) of Australia.

Country							
Pesticide	FI	GU	NC	PN	SI	VA	WS
mitrole	Х		x	x	x	X	
rsenic pentoxide	X		3	X	X	X	
atrazine	X	X	X	X		X	
zinphos ethyl			X				
BHC (g isomer = lindane)	x		X	X	X	х	
carbaryl	X		X	X	X	X	
chlordane	X		X	X	X	X	
chlorpyrifos					X		
copper oxychloride	X		X	X	X	X	
copper sulphate				X		X	
cyhexatin			X				
2,4-D, acid			X	X	x	X	
DDT			X	X	X	X	
diazinon	X		X	X		X	
dicamba	X		X	X		X ·	
dicofol	X			X			
dieldrin	X		X	X		X	
dimethoate	X		X	X		X	
diuron	X		X	x		X	
2,2-DPA	X		X	X		X	
DSMA	***		X				
endosulfan	X		X	X		X	
ethion	250			X		X	
ethoprophos	X		X	X	X		X
fenitrothion	x		X	X	X	X	
heptachlor	~		X	X		X	
lime sulphur			X	x		X	
malathion	X		X	X	X	X	
mancozeb	X		X	X		X	
MCPA, acid	X			X	-5	X	
metaldehyde	X			X		X	
methamidophos	A		X				
MSMA	' X		X	X		X	
naled	X			1956			
parathion ethyl			X	X		X	
parathion methyl				X	X		
			Х				
prophyzamide simazine			X	X			
sodium arsenite				X			
sulphur	X		X	X			
TCA	x		X	-		X	
thiram			X	X		X	
trifluralin	х		X	X			
white oil	X		X	X		X	
wille oil							
country	FI	GU	NC	PN	SI	VA	WS

## 5.3.2 BAYER

AUSTRALIA address:

Bayer Australia Ltd 46-67 Wilson St PO Box 159 Botany NSW 2019

Bayer (Australia) forwarded request to Bayer in Leverkusen in Germany. Bayer products are been distributed either from Australia or New Zealand, but no reply was given by Bayer (Australia).

NEW ZEALAND address:

Bayer New Zealand Ltd Marine Parade PO Box 38-405 Petone

Majority of Bayer products in the Pacific are distributed by BASF, NZ, though propoxur and coumatetralyl are distributed by other organizations. (See BASF New Zealand, 5.3.3)

## 5.33 BASF

NEW ZEALAND address:

BASF New Zealand Ltd 83-87 Carr Rd, Mt Roskill PO Box 407 Auckland

BASF (New Zealand) is a major supplier of pesticides to the region. A summary of pesticides provided to South Pacific countries is given below:

Pesticides distributed by BASF of New Zealand. Table 32

					Count	гу							
Pesticide	AS	CI	FI	FP	NC	NU	PN	SI	IG	VA	WS	NZ	Comments
ischlor				х			X	X	X		X		for Honsanto
enodani I			X				X						samples only
pentazon			x	X	X			x				X	
bitertanol		x							X		x		for Bayer
ЭРНС			X										
carbendazim		X	x	X	X		x		X		x	X	
carbosulfan			X										samples only
chloramben			x	X	x				X			X	
chlorbufam			X	X	x							X	
chlorflurenol		X		x			X						
chloridazon			X	x	X							X	3
chlormequat				x	X							X	
copper oxychlo	ride	x	X	X	X	x	x	X	×	x	X	X	
coumatetralyl									X		x		for Bayer
dazomet	X	X	X	x	X		X	X	x		X	X	
dimethoate	x	x	x	X	x		X		x	X	x	x	
2,2 DPA			X	X	X		X				x	X	
endosul fan			x								x	X	
ethephon											x	x	
glyphosate	X	x	x	x	X	x		X	x	X	x		for Monsanto
kasugamycin			x				X		X		X	X	samples only
linuron			x	x	X			X	x			X	
mancozeb	X	x	X	x	x		X		X	x	X	X	
maneb		x		x	x				X		X	X	
MCPA, IOE				X									
methamidophos				x	x				X			X	for Chevron
methiocarb		×	×	x	x		x		X	X	X		for Bayer
metiram					x						X	x	
mineral oil	x	X	X	X	x		x	x	x		x	X	for Ampol
neled	X	x	X	X	x		X		x		X	X	for Chevron
petroleum oil	x	X	x	×			x		x		X	X	for Ampol
sethoxydim			x										for Ivor Watkins
tridemorph	X	x	x	X.	X		x	X	x		x	x	DON.
vinclozoline				x	x						x	x	
white oil	x	x	X	x	X	X	x	x	X		X	X	
country	AS	CI	FI	FP	NC	NU	PN	51	IG	VA	ws	NZ	

## Common BASF Products include:

Dibrom, Malix, Monitor insecticides:

Basagran, Basfapon, Lasso, Linuron, herbicides:

Multiprop, Roundup,

Baycor, Bavistan, Calixin, Cobox, BASF Mancozeb, Mesurol, Polyram, Polyram fungicides:

Maneb, Ronilan. Basamid, Cycocel, Racumin.

Those sold in the largest quantities include Roundup (glyphosate), Calixin (tridemorph), Basagran (bentazone and propanil), and Baycor (bitertanol).

#### 5.3.4 CHEMPACK

#### AUSTRALIA address:

Chempack Industries PO Box 469 Archerfield Queensland 4108

No reply received.

#### 5.3.5 CIBAGEIGY

## AUSTRALIA address:

Ciba-Geigy Australia Limited 140-150 Bungaree Road, Pendle Hill PO Box 4 Wentworthville NSW 2145

Ciba-Geigy Australia distributes to New Caledonia, PNG, Solomons and Vanuatu. Pesticides supplied (mainly) to PNG include:

- (a) fungicides used in cocoa metalaxyl (Ridomil)
- (b) herbicides used in coffee and cocoa residual triazines - ametryn, atrazine, simazine formulated as Gesapax, Gesatop and Gesaprim.
- (c) insecticides diazinon (Gesapon), dichlorvos (Nuvan), methidathion (Supracide)(vegetables), monocrotophos (Nuvacron)(palm oil).

## **NEW ZEALAND address:**

Ciba-Geigy New Zealand Limited 47-53 Patiki Road, Avondale Private Bag, Avondale, Auckland 7

Ciba Geigy New Zealand supplies the following pesticides on a commercial basis:

atrazine	(Gesaprim)	riji
diazinon	(Diazinon)	Fiji
dichlorvos	(Nuvan)	Fiji
isazophos	(Miral)	Western Samoa
metalazxyl	(Ridomil)	Cook Islands, Fiji
methidathion	(Supracide)	Fiji
prometryn	(Gesagard)	Norfolk Island
propiconazo	le (Tilt)	Cook Island, Tonga, Western Samoa

## 5.3.6 CYANAMID

## AUSTRALIA address:

Cyanamid Australia Pty Limited 5 Gibbon Rd., Baulkham Hills NSW 2153

Cyanamid does not market pesticides in the region, but they do sell temephos and maldison to distributors which market the region.

## 5.3.7 DUPONT

## NEW ZEALAND address:

Dupont (New Zealand) Limited 7 Ronwood Avenue Manukau City PO Box 76-256 Auckland

Dupont distributes the following pesticides to the following South Pacific countries:

Table 33 Pesticides distributed by Dupont New Zealand.

Pesticide	Trade Name	AS		CI	FI	FP	NC	NU	PN	SI	TG	VA	ws
benomy1	Benlate	χ		χ	х	χ	x	X	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
bromacil	Hyvar			X	X	X	X		X			X	
	Krovar												
diuron	Karmex			X	X	X	X		X	×	X	X	X
	Velpar										1.5		
	Krovar												
hexazinone	Velpar				X	X						X	
linuron	Linuron			X	X	X	X				X		
mancozeb	Manzate 2	00	1	X							X		
methomyl	Lannate			X	X	X	X		X		X	X	)
metribuzin	Lexone						X						
oxamy1	Vydate												)

## AUSTRALIA address:

Dupont (Australia) Limited 168 Walker St North Sydney 2060 NSW or 20-26 Balaclava St Wooloongabba 4102 Queensland

Never replied.

#### 5.3.8 ELANCO

## AUSTRALIA address:

Elanco Products Company Wharf Road West Ryde NSW 2114

Elanco products are exported, not by Elanco but by other distributors in Australia and New Zealand. Main products include benfluralin, oryzalin and trifluralin.

# 5.3.9 FARMERS FERTILISER LIMITED

## NEW ZEALAND address:

Farmers Fertiliser Limited 81 Carlton Gore Road New Market Private Bag, Auckland

Farmers Fertiliser exported mainly to Fiji and Papua New Guinea, and lesser quantities to Cook Island, New Caledonia, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu and Western Samoa. Pesticides exported were by a.i.:

insecticides: acephate, carbaryl, deltamethrin,

diazinon, dichlorvos, endosulfan,

maldison, propargite.

herbicides: amitrole, atrazine, 2,4-D

butylester, diuron, MCPA, paraquat,

trifluralin.

fungicides: captafol, captan, copper

oxychloride, copper sulphate, dinocap, mancozeb, pyrazophos,

triforine

For the period May 1984 to May 1985 the volumes of active ingredient exported to the eight countries named were as follows:

-1600kg	
-1500kg	
-2000kg	All of these
- 900kg	in ready to use
	formulations
-2000kg	
-3000kg	
-1800kg	
1	
-3800kg	
- 100kg	
	-1500kg -2000kg - 900kg -2000kg -3000kg -1800kg

#### 5.3.10 HOECHST

AUSTRALIA address:

Hoechst Australia limited 606 St. Kilda Road PO Box 4300 Melbourne Victoria 3001

Hoechst products are listed below but most are distributed by other companies. Products are:

binapacryl - probably used for trial purposes; clofop-isobutyl - possibly only used experimentally, now withdrawn from the market; deltamethrin - only limited quantities sold, probably less than 500 litres or 12kg of a.i.; diclofop-methyl - possibly only used experimentally endosulfan - only sold to Fiji and PNG, but less than 500 litres or 200kg a.i. per year; fentin acetate - limited quantities used only for tests on cocoa; glufosinate ammonium - experimental product of which only 10 litres used; linuron - very limited quantities available; pyrazophos - limited quantities only; triazophos - only limited quantities sold to Fiji ex New Zealand for experimental purposed, not registered.

## NEW ZEALAND address:

Hoeschst New Zealand Ltd Box 67 Auckland

Hoeschst (NZ) products are distributed to the region by BASF.

#### 5.3.11 ICI

AUSTRALIA address:

ICI Australia Operations

PO Box 4311

Melbourne Victoria 3001

Australia

No reply to letter.

NEW ZEALAND address:

ICI New Zealand Ltd (Rural Division)

ICI House Box 1592 Wellington. ICI Tasman Ltd.

Private Bag Upper Hutt PO Box 900 Auckland

Table 34 Pesticides exported by ICI New Zealand.

		10		Count	гу					
Pesticide	CI	FI	FP	NC	NU	PN	SI	TG	VA	WS
acephate	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
atrazine		X								x
BHC, g-isomer (lindane)		X								
brodifacoum	x	X	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
carbofuran		X	X	X				X		
copper oxychloride		X			2.0					
2,4-D, DEA Na Salt	x									
2,4-D, 2 ethy ester	X	X								
diazinon		x						X		X
dicamba		X	X	X				X		X
dicofol					X					
dimethirimol					X					
diuron	X	X	X	X				X	X	X
2.2-DPA (dalapon)	X	X								X
fluazifop-butyl	X	X	X	X				X		X
MCPA, acid		X								
na led	X	X	x					X	X	X
paraquat dichloride	X	X	X	X	X			x	X	X
permethrin	X	X	X		X			X		X
pirimiphos methyl					X					
trichlorfon		X	X	X				X	X	X
triforine		X	X							
	CI	FI	FP	NC	NU	PN	SI	TG	VA	WS

ICI is a major exporter to South Pacific countries. ICI New Zealand and ICI Fiji market products mainly in Cook Islands, Fiji, Niue, Tonga and Western Samoa. A list of pesticides distributed to South Pacific countries is given above. Products marketed to Niue wre not included in the reply. ICI also exports their products to French Polynesia and New Caledonia, and to a lesser extent to Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea. ICI is a major company in PNG:

PNG address:

ICI Papua New Guinea Pty Ltd PO Box 1105 Lae Morobe Province

ICI (PNG) is one of the three major importers of pesticides into PNG. A list of pesticides by active ingredient, imported into PNG is listed under 'PNG Importers' in Table 29. The pesticide imported into PNG by ICI in far the greatest quantities is paraquat as Gramoxone See section 5.1.

## 5.3.12 IVON WATKINS DOW

#### NEW ZEALAND address:

Ivon Watkins Dow Limited

Private Bag New Plymouth

Ivon Watkins - Dow (NZ) does not actively promote their products in the region.

#### AUSTRALIA address:

Bow Chemical (Australia) Limited

Queensland

100 Miller St

North Sydney, NSW 2060

OT

301 Coronation Drive Milton, Queensland 4064

or

12 Sallow St Pallarenda

Townsville,

4810.

Dow (Australia) never replied to letter, but from personal communication, it intends to market some products in PNG in the near future.

#### 5.3.13 MAY AND BAKER

#### NEW ZEALAND address:

May and Baker New Zealand Ltd PO Box 35060 Naenae Peterkin Street Wingate Lower Hutt

May and Baker New Zealand are responsible for the distribution and marketing of Rhone Poulenc Group chemicals in Cook Islands, Fiji, Niue, Tonga, Western Samoa and New Zealand. However May and Baker only actively market their products in Fiji and New Zealand. Products marketed in Fiji are:

## Group products

herbicides: asulam, 2,4-D plus ioxynil octanoate

(Actil), ioxynil octanoate (Totril),

diuron, oxadiazon (Ronstar Flo)

plant hormones: indolyl butyricacid (Seradix),

naphthalene acetic acid (Planofix)

fungicide: fosetyl (Aliette)

## Distribute only

insecticides:

carbaryl, deltamethrin (Decis (R)),

malathion,

herbicide:

paraquat

fungicide:

mancozeb

May and Baker (NZ) products are sold in PNG through Farmset.

AUSTRALIA address:

May and Baker Australia Ltd

19-23 Paramount Road

West Footscray Victoria 3012

May and Baker (Aust.) forwarded letter to parent company Rhone -Poluenc, who have never replied.

May and Baker (Australia) products are distributed to PNG through Island Traders (Burns Philp ). These products include:

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insecticides: ethion, ethoprophos (Mocap),

phosalone and vamidothion

(Kilval)

herbicides:

asulam (Asulox), bromoxynil/ bromoxynil octanoate (Buctril),

carbetamide (Carbetamex), ioxynil/ioxynil octanoate

(Totril),

fungicides:

fosetyl (Aliette), iprodione

(Rovral)

## 5.3.14 MONSANTO

AUSTRALIA address:

Monsanto Australia Limited East Tower Princes Gate 151 Flinders Street

PO Box 4077

Melbourne Victoria 3001

Monsanto Australia supplies to PNG approximately 70 kL RoundupR CT (450 g/L glyphosate). PNG is the only region outside Australia serviced by Monsanto Australia.

NEW ZEALAND address:

Monsanto New Zealand Limited Cnr Frankmoor Ave and Trafalgar Road Private Bag, Johnsonville, Wellington.

Morranto (NZ) supplied products to all the region except for PNG (through Monsanto Australia), and Guam and the old Trust Territories (TTPI, CNMI). BASF (NZ) distributes about 10kl of Roundup(R) (glyphosate) and 5kl of Lasso(R) (alachlor), both Monsanto products. Other Monsanto products such as butachlor and propachlor are very little used, the former has only been used in Australia and New Zealand experimentally.

#### 5.3.15 NUFARM CHEMICALS

#### AUSTRALIA address:

Nufarm Chemicals Pty Ltd 103-105 Pipe Road PO Box 103 Laverton Victoria 3028

Nufarm never replied.

#### 5.3.16 SHELL

#### AUSTRALIA address:

Shell Chemical (Australia) Pty Ltd Shell Corner 155 William Street PO Box 1713P, Melbourne 3001

Shell Chemical (Australia) sales are less than A\$150,000 per annum for total area. Sales are as follows:

insecticides	90%
herbicides	0%
fungicides/miscellaneous	7.5%
ectoparasiticides	2.5%

In PNG/Solomons Shell deals through Harcros Trading, Lae, though in PNG a small amount is imported by Shell itself, mainly for the Defence Force.

NEW ZEALAND address:

Shell Chemicals (New Zealand) Ltd

Box 2091 Wellington

No reply received.

#### 5.3.17 RECKITT AND COLMAN/SAMUEL TAYLOR

## NEW ZEALAND address:

Reckitt and Colman (New Zealand) Ltd 550 Rosebank Road, Avondale Auckland 7

Reckitt and Colman (NZ) exports in small quantities Aeroblast Fly Killer (permethrin, tetramethrin) to Cook Islands, Fiji, Nauru, Niue, Norfolk Islands, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Western Samoa.

#### AUSTRALIA address:

Samuel Taylor 33 Hope Street, Ermington PO Box 250 Ermington, 2115, NSW

Samuel Taylor is the consumer household products division within Reckitt and Colman (Australia). A summary of exports by Samuel Taylor to South Pacific region is given below, where major brand names are

Mortein, Pea-Beu and Aerogard.

Pesticide exports to the Pacific region are:
Table 35 Pesticides exported by Samuel Taylor of Australia.

PRODUCT	FIJI	PAPUA NEW GUINEA	SOUTH PACIFIC (GENERAL)
Mortein Export Aerosol	Х	Х	Х
Bite Free Insect Repellent	X	X	X
Aerogard Insect Repellent	X	X	X
Green Elf Products home garden)		x	Х
Veto Animal Insecticide	X	X	X
Mortein House & Garden	X	X	X
Pea-Beu Products	X	X	X
Mortein Mozzie Zapper		X	X

Active ingredients used throughout the Pacific region which are in Reckitt and Colman products are:

allethrin, biollethrin, bioresmethrin, carbaryl, chlorothalonil(\*) diethyltoluamide (deet), di-n-propyl isocinchomeronate, ethyl hexane diol, glyphosate(\*), n-octyl bicycloheptene dicarboximide, permethrin, phenothrin, piperonyl butoxide, pyrethrins, tetramethrin (\* - not distributed to Fiji)

Reckitt and Colman have an office in PNG:

PNG address:

Reckitt and Colman (PNG) Pty Ltd PO Box 1004 Lae Morobe Province

## 5.3.18 UNION CARBIDE,

AUSTRALIA

Union Carbide Australia Limited 157-167 Liverpool Street GPO Box 5322 Sydney NSW 2001

Union Carbide Australia products from Australia are distributed by Ciba-Geigy, ICI, Amalgamated Chemicals and Nufarm.

NEW ZEALAND address:

Union Carbide New Zealand Limited 7-9 Fanshawe Street PO Box 1040 Auckland

Union Carbide New Zealand forwarded the letter onto their Agricultural Products Company in the USA, who never replied.

## 5.3.19 ARTHUR YATES

#### AUSTRALIA

Arthur Yates and Company Pty Ltd Export Division 244-254 Horsley Road Milperra PO Box 72 Revesby NSW 2212

Yates products are designed for Australian home gardens and are in small packs. Products are regulated by Australian standards, and all products sent to PNG and other Pacific Island nations are labelled accordingly, in English. Sales are relatively small. Active ingredients exported include:

benomyl, bordeaux, captan, carbaryl, copper hydroxide, 2,4-D acid, diazinon, dicamba, diquat dibromide, malathion, mancozeb, maneb, MCPA acid, metaldehyde, paraquat dichloride, permethrin, petroleum oil, piperonyl butoxide, propyzamide, pyrethrins, simazine, sulphur.

#### NEW ZEALAND address:

Arthur Yates and Company Ltd Box 1109 Auckland.

Received no reply.

## 5.4. SUMMARY

The methods of distribution varies within each country, largely depending upon the size of the market. Large multinational companies (eg, ICI) are only present in Fiji and Papua New Guinea, the two largest countries. The main distributors to the area (based on the questionnaire responses) appear to be Amalgamated Chemicals (Australia), BASF (New Zealand), Dupont (New Zealand), Farmers Fertilisers (New Zealand), and ICI (New Zealand/Tasman). Most pesticides would be imported from Australia and New Zealand, though many pesticides in PNG also come from a wide range of countries, eg United Kingdom. The actual quantities of imports were discussed in Chapter 4.

# 6.1 INTRODUCTION

One of the criticisms of the draft report (Mowbray, 1984 - Biblio No 625) was that the use of pesticides in quarantine was not covered. Since the drafting of that report, Benoit (1985 - Biblio No 335) has stressed the importance of good plant quarantine strategies for PNG and other Pacific countries, although he recognised constraints in their implementation. Paaticides are important "tools" in quarantine. In early 1985, J.D. Baird [J.R.Morschel], an FAO Consultant, and former Director of Plant Quarantine in Australia prepared and submitted a report on plant quarantine legislation for Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Niue, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Western Samoa (Baird nd, Biblio No 508). Also in mid 1986 separate New Zealand and Australian consultants conducted reviews of aspects of PNG's quarantine services. So it is timely to briefly review pesticide use in quarantine.

A questionnaire on quarantine practices was prepared with the assistance of Dr Alphonse Benoit (Agriculture Department, University of Technology) and with reference to Stout and Roth (1983 - Pub No Hl). With the asistance of Dr Bob Ikin (formerly SPC Plant Protection Officer), the pesticides most probably used in quarantine were listed. Copies of the questionnaire and list were sent out on 2nd December, 1985, to senior officers involved in plant and agricultural quarantine in all South Pacific countries and territories.

By March, 1986, eleven countries had responded. They were:

Cook Islands, Guam, Kiribati, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Pitcairn Island, Solomon Islands, Tonga, TTPI and Palau separately, and Vanuatu.

No responses were received from American Samoa, Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas (CNMI), Fiji, French Polynesia, Nauru, Wallis and Futuna, Western Samoa, Federated States of Micronesia, Marshall Islands, Niue, or Tuvalu. Tokelau has no quarantine service.

Some information on the situations in Fiji, Guam and Western Samoa were obtained from their country reports presented to the Fourth Regional Technical Meeting on Plant Protection in Noumea in 1984. Information for Niue was obtained from "Plant Protection News' issued by the SPC Plant Protection Officer.

A training workshop in quarantine methods, including use of pesticides was held in Suva from 9 - 13 April 1986 as part of the UNDP/FAO-SPC Project for Strengthening Plant Protection and Root

Crops Development in the South Pacific, RAS/83/001. One of the objectives of this project has been to assist countries to develop an effective quarantine capability, which includes the use of fumigants and other pesticides.

Publications citing use of pesticides in quarantine are listed in the Bibliography (Part B) under section IE for each country, and for the South Pacific Region generally.

## 6.2 FOCAL POINTS

Table 36 gives the names of persons who reponded to the questionnaire, and henceforth can be considered key contact personnel or focal points for future reference.

## Table 36

List of Persons Responding to Quarantine Questionnaire

## Cook Islands

Mr N. P. Samuel, Chief Quarantine Officer, Ministry of Agriculture, P.O. Box 96, RAROTONGA, COOK ISLANDS.

#### Guam

Mr Tom Blas, Department of Agriculture, Plant Industry, P.O. Box 2950, AGANA, GUAM, 96910.

#### Kiribati

Mr Manate Tenang,
Agricultural Officer,
(Pest Control and Quarantine),
Ministry of Natural Resource Development,
Agriculture Division, Tanaea,
P.O. Box 267,
BIKENIBEU,
TARAWA, KIRIBATI.

#### New Caledonia

M. Remy Amice,
Plant Protection - Fields and Crops,
Direction du Developpement De L'Economie Rurale,
Service Veterinaire et du Controle de la Qualite
des Produits Agro-Alimentaires,
B.P. 11,
NOUMEA, NOUVELLE CALEDONIE.

M. J. Fonce, Plant Quarantine Inspector - Harbour and Airport, Direction du Developpement de l'Economie Rurale, B.P. 43,

NOUMEA, NOUVELLE CALEDONIE.

## Papua New Guinea

Mr David Kanawi, Chief Quarantine Officer, Department of Primary Industry, P.O. Box 417, KONEDOBU, N.C.D., PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

## Pitcairn Island

Mr G. D. Harraway,
Pitcairn Island Administration,
British Consulate-General,
Private Bag,
AUCKLAND,
NEW ZEALAND.

## Solomon Islands

Mr Cameron Rini Eta, S.F.O. (Q), Ministry of Agriculture and Lands, Agriculture Quarantine Service, P.O. Box G13, HONIARA, SOLOMON ISLANDS.

## Tonga

Director of Agriculture,
Head of Research,
Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forests,
P.O. Box 14,
NUKU'ALOFA,
KINGDOM OF TONGA.

Mr Konrad Englberger, Tongan-German (GTZ) Plant and Harvest Protection Project, P.O. Box 881, NUKU'ALOFA, KINGDOM OF TONGA.

#### Vanuatu

Mr Robert Weller, Senior Plant Protection Officer Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries P.O. Box 129, PORT VILA, REPUBLIC OF VANUATU.

## TTPI

Mr Gregory Baker, Trust Territory Environmental Protection Board, Office of the High Commissioner, Trust Territory of the pacific Islands, SAIPAN, CM 96950, MARIANA ISLANDS.

#### Palau

Mr Herman Francisco, Chief Agriculturalist, Division of Agriculture, P.O. Box 460, KOROR, REPUBLIC OF PALAU 96940.

#### 6.3 QUARANTINE LEGISLATION

Table 37 summarised the legislative situation in those countries and territories which responded to the questionnaire, plus Nuie and Western Samoa.

List of Quarantine Related Legislation in Thirteen South Pacific Table 37 Countries or Territories.

Cook Islands

.Plants Act 1973, Plant Introduction and Quarantine Regulations, 1976.

.Animals Act 1975, Animal Inportation Regulations, 1982.

Animal Disease Prevention Regulations, 1982.

Guam

.Government Code of Guam Sections: 12026, 12102, 12103, 12104, 12105,

12106.

Kiribati

.Plant Ordinance 1976.

.Prohibition of Importation of Plants Order 1977.

.Importation of Animals Regulations 1965.

New Caledonia

Resolution No 219 of 4 June, 1965 of the Territorial Assembly laying

down plant quarantine procedures for incoming and outgoing commodities (brought into force by .Regulation No 1161 of 22 June, 1965).

.Regulation No 67/149 of 23 March, 1967 listing of plants whose

entry into the Territory of New Caledonia was formerly prohibited. .Resolution No 67 of 26 January, 1968 laying down the conditions of

import into New Caledonia for animals and animal products.

.(Many other smaller regulations follow these.)

Niue

.Plant Quarantine Act, 1982 (?)

.Agricultural Quarantine Act, 1985 (?)

Papua New Guinea

.Quarantine Act. Chapter 234.

.Animal Disease and Control Act.

.Plant Disease and Control Act.

.Quarantine Ordinance 1953.

Pitcairn island

.Local Government Regulations, Part III. Plant and Animal

Quarantine, 1976.

Solomon Islands

.Agriculture Quarantine Act, 1982.

.Agriculture and Livestock Ordinance (Cap. 80)

.Disease and Animals Ordinance (Cap.85).

Tonga

.Plant Quarantine Act 1981 (not yet enforced).

Vanuatu

.Joint Regulation No 26 of 1964, to provide for plant quarantine.

.Joint Regulation No 16 of 1977, to provide conditions for importation

of animals and animal products into Vanuatu, and to control movement in the country.

TIPI

.Title 25 Trust Territory Code. Animals and Plants. Chapter 1. Quarantine Regulations.

Palau

.Title 25 Trust Territory Code. Animas and Plants. Chapter 1. Quarantine Regulations.

Western Samoa

.Plant Quarantine Act

.Plant Quarantine Regulations

# 6.4 SUMMARY OF RESPONSES TO QUESTIONNAIRE

A summary of the responses to the questionnaires plus other pertinent information is given in Table 38.

Table 385 Summary of Responses to Quarantine Questionnaire forwarded on 2 December, 1985,

Cook Islands Guam Kiribati

 Do you, by law, have mandatory treatment of foodstuffs, planting materials, cultures and other commodities?

Yes, under the legislation, the Secretary may specify treatments for any commodity that may be infested by pests or host to specific pests.

Yes, if deemed to be necnecessary or feasible.
Importation of agricultural products is regulated
by both Federal and local
Government. Permits must
be issued before imports
are entered. Some commodities require special
treatment at the place of
origin. If these requirements are not followed, it
would be destroyed or rejected at the expense of
the importer.

Handicraft is sprayed either with Mortein or Secto insecticides and a phytosanitory certificate is issued.

 Please give details on your facilities for formulation and other forms of treatment with pesticides, including dips, dusting, spraying, baits...

Rarotonga: Fumigation station with chambers of 28 & 2.8 m3 capacity. Chemical dips used. Fumigants used are methyl bromide and ED8

Aitutaki: 2.8 m3 chamber but not operational. Do not have facilities for fumigation. Regulated articles or commodities found infested or diseased are destroyed by burning in an incinerator. Small lots of non-regulated plants are treated in dips with malathion, diazinon or captan.

Boniriki International Airport: contains 1 methyl
bromide fumigation unit, 1
fogging machine, 4 knapsack
sprayers, one boiling pot
used for dipping, insecticides (Secto, Mortein and
d'phenothrin - for handicraft spraying and aircraft disinfection).

3. What problems do you have in <u>using chemicals</u> in plant quarantine and other quarantine procedures you use?

The failure of staff to adhere to safety precautions and to use safety equipment that is supplied

None .

None.

1. Do you, by law, have mandatory treatment of foodstuffs, planting materials, cultures and other commodities?

Several mandatory treatments for agricultural commodities:

- .EDB for fruits from some countries:
- .methyl bromide for yams. coffee and forage;
- . fungicides & insecticides for plants, cuttings, grafts and layers;
- .fungicide treatment against boil smut for corn seed and against blast for rice: .heat treatment for compost.

Yes, If treatment conditions are not met or imports found to be infested on arrival, the consignments of materials are treated. Exports are also treated.

No.

2. Please give details on your facilities for formulation and other forms of treatment with pesticides, including dips. dusting, spraying, baits...

Noumea Harbour: 2 fumigation chambers of 10m3 capscity & 1 of lm3 capacity. All used for methyl bromide. I fumigation chamber of 18m3 capacity for EDB. Proposed to build one 'tunnel chamber' of 40-50 m3 capacity for methyl bromide.

Toutouta Airport: 1 fumigation chamber of 5m3 capscity for methyl bromide; 1 fumigation chamber of 20 m3 capacity for use with EDB or methyl bromide.

Other forms of treatment include dipping and spraying. Holds of ships are fumigated with lindane or Actellick

Currently have 1 small fumigation chamber of 1m3 for methyl bromide. Large quantities done by private firm under supervision.

Use d'phenothrin to spray all international aircraft.

Both fungicides and insecticides used as spray, dips, dust on imported and exported plants.

Formalin is used to treat secondhand hides/animal products.

3. What problems do you have in using chemicals in plant conditions of use. quarantine and other quarantine procedures you use?

No problems under present

Problems include: .safety measures and control of using pesticides hence only trained staff handle fumigants and pesticides; .training of quarantine

- especially to use methyl bromide:
- .have limited facilities to carry out thorough treatments.
- \* present procedures and facilities are being reviewed with assistance of Australian and NZ quarantine officers.

Not applicable.

1. Do you, by law, have mandatory treatment of foodstuffs, planting materials, cultures and other commodities?

Yes, treatments depend on country of origin, type of cosmodity, state of commodity on arrival. Prior treatment of commodities before shipment is practiced. Mandatory treatment is done on arrival when not meet the required conditions.

Legislation not yet enforced.

Articles can be disinfected, but not mandatory. Conditions on import permit specify either mandatory treatment or treatment if necessary. Methyl bromide is usual treatment at varyschedules depending on the commodity. Susceptible plants are dipped in 0.1% malathion, 0.1% carbaryl, and 1.0% white oil for 30 seconds.

2. Please give details on your facilities for formulation and other forms of treatment with pesticides, including dips, dusting, spraying, baits... Following treatment facilities are available: .Agriculture Querantine Service has 1x8m3 fumigation chamber; .Facilities for dipping, spraying, baiting are all awailable at the Agriculture Research Station, Dodo being built to include 1

Airport Nuku'Alofa 28.3m3 Fumigation chamber used for EDB and methyl bromide, and one 1.3m3 fumigation drum (defective)

Sea Port Nuku'Alofa: New quarantine facilities are Creek & Quarantine Station; 56.6m3 fumigation chamber .Autoclave for devitalising, and one lm3 chamber, store and inspection areas.

> Research Farm Vaini: one green house for post entry quarantine.

Vava'u MAFF Station: 1m3 fumigation chamber.

Fumigation:

3xlm3 fumigation chambers 1x5m3 fumigation chamber, 6x12mx12m plastic fumigation sheets; 4xGas masks with Halide detectors.

#### Treatments:

- 2 x Riken detectors;
- 4 x Junior knapsacks;
- 2 x London Fog Machines;
- 7 x Mistblowers.

#### Dips:

2 x 71 plastic rubbish bins 4 x 81 plastic buckets plus gloves, overalls, respirstors, etc.

3. What problems do you have in using chemicals in plant quarantine and other quarantine procedures you use?

.Lack well trained officer to carry out operations; Only 2 officers with fumloation Certificate (NZ) within the Agriculture Quarantine Service: .Lack of knowledge of chemicals used; .Inadequate facilities for application; .Lack of safety equipment; . Very little publicity on chemicals being used in the region.

Sometimes have phytotoxicity problems on root crops and fruits being treated with methyl bromide for export.

Obtaining regular supplies of methyl bromide. Equipment breakdowns and lack of replacement parts.

	(Federates States of Micron and Marshall Islands)	Palau esia	Western Samoe
1. Do you, by law, have mendatory treatment of foodstuffs, planting mater- isls, cultures and other commodities?	No	No	
<ol> <li>Please give details on your facilities for form- ulation and other forms of treatment with pesti- cides, including dips, dusting, spraying, baits</li> </ol>	None	None	at seaport, Apia - one new fumigation chamber and steam cleaning unit, one 200 cubic feet vacuum fumigation chamber and portable steam cleaning equipment.  at airport - one incinerator.  post-entry quarantine - one potting unit with soil steriliser, one acrylic house, one greenhouse, one incinerator.
. What problems do you have in using chemicals in plant quarantine and other quarantine procedures you use?	Not applicable	No problems.	

For Fiji, Kumar (1984 - Biblio No 29 ) lists quarantine facilities to include one incinerator, and two fumigation chambers, but he included no details

For Commonwealth of the Northern Marianna Islands, Muniappan (pers. com.) states that an USDA officer from Guam assists in plant quarantine matters.

# 6.5 LIST OF PESTICIDES USED IN QUARANTINE

Those pesticides said to be used in quarantine are listed in Table 39. The most widely used pesticides are malathion, methyl bromide and phenothrin. 44 different chemicals are used, 30 of these in Vanuatu.

List of pesticides reported to be used in Quarantine in countries which responded to Questionnaire.

Countries were: Cook Islands (CI), Guam (GU), Kiribati (KI), New Caledonia (NC),

Pagus New Guines (PN) Pitcairo Islands (FI), Solomon Islands (SI)

Papus New Guines (PN), Pitcairn Island (PI), Solomon Islands (SI), Tongs (TG), Vanustu (VA) and TIPI (TI) with Palau (PL) separate.

CONMICH NAME	CI	GU	KI	NC	PN	PI	SI	TG	VA	11	PL.	TOTAL NO.
ACEPHATE									x			1
ALDICARB									X			1
ALUMINIUM PHOSPHIDE					x				x			2
BENOMYL	x			X	1319			x	X			4
BHC, g ISOMER (LINDANE)				×					x			2
BRODIFACOUM									x			1
BROMADIOLONE			x									1
CAPTAN		X			×		X		X			4
CARBARYL				X					X		×	3
CHLORDANE									X			1
COPPER OXYCHLORIDE					x							1
COPPER SULPHATE		*		X			X		X			3
DIAZINON	X	x	90					x	x			4
DICHLORVOS	X	100						.00)	x			2
DIELDRIN	TUAC				X				x			2
DIETHIN				X	10.8							1
DIMETHOATE							X		X			2
EDB	x			x				X				3
FENITROTHION				X					X			2
FORMAL DEHYDE					X		X		X			3
HYDROGEN CYANIDE					x							1
MALATHION (MALDISON)	X	x			x		X	X	X		X	7
MANEB				X								1
METALDEHYDE							X	X				2
METHYL BROMIDE	X		X	x	X		X	X	X			7
METHYL MERCURY DICYANAMIDE									×			1
MONOCROTOPHOS									X			1
NALED									X			1
NAPHTHALENE	x								X			2
OILS	X							X	X			3
OME THOATE		15		x								1
PERMETHRIN							X					1
PHENOTHRIN	X		X	X	X		X		X			6
PIPERONYL BUTOXIDE			X									1
PIRIMIPHOS METHYL				X								1
PYRETHRINS			X									1
RESMETHRIN									X			1
SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE									X			1
SULPHUR				X								1
TE TRAME THRIN			X									1
THIRAM				X					x			2
TRICHLORFON								61	X			1
WARFARIN			X						X			2
ZINEB				x					X			2
TOTAL NO. OF PESTICIDES	9	3	7	15	9	0	9	7	30	0	2	44
RECORDED AS USED												
COUNTRY	CI	GU	KI	NC	PN	PI	12	TG	VA	11	PL	TOTAL

## 7.1 INTRODUCTION

Unfortunately many countries when they responded to the original questionnaire ( of July 1983) did not include in their answers mention of chemicals used in forestry and timber preservation.

Consequently, an attempt was made to determine what chemicals are used in the timber industry here in PNG. One can presume that they are similar to those used elsewhere in the Pacific where a forestry industry exists, as eg in the Solomon Islands.

## 7.2 SITUATION IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA

## 7.21 Chemicals used in Forestry and Timber Preservation

Personnel involved in both forestry and timber preservation were contacted, and a review was made of the small amount of literature available. A summary of chemicals used is as follows:

 Antisap stains (used as fungicides) used in wood preservation include the following (some with trade names listed):

captafol (Difolotan, Haipen, Timbafol), formalin, sodium pentachlorophenate (Pentabrite, Santobrite, Sapco), tributyltin oxide, and two substances of unknown active ingredients not now used Tanamine (supplied by Koppers) and Preserin Ace (a chlorinated phenol). Busan (TCMTB) and permethrin are used individually as antisap stains.

- Wood preservatives (used both as fungicides and insecticides) include:
  - emulsifiable creosote), PCP, PCNB, mixture of IF100 thiabendazole, and the following trade names Naprocide (N54) Celbrite (a quarternary ammonium compound); plus XJ Protedione, and CN emulsion oil (containing copper naphthenate).

Both Formula and Celsol are BFCA dip-diffusion treatment chemicals containing borax, boric acid, potassium/sodium dichromate, arsenic pentoxide and sodium fluoride.

. CCA type chemicals are used in the vacuum pressure impregnation process and include both Celcure and Tanalith; chemicals in the formulations include copper sulphate, sodium dichromate and arsenic acid/arsenic pentoxide. . Busan and Penacide (both formulated by Belltek) and Farmay (produced by Welcome) contain different proportions of TCMTB and MTC (methylene bis thiocyanate).

The major supplier of wood preservatives within PNG and to the Solomon Islands (in much smaller quantities) is Koppers, who also do nearly all their own formulation.

3. Insecticides used for treatment of logs and lumber (as prophylactic chemicals) include:

g BHC (lindane, as Gammexane and Gammaphex) and the synthetic pyrethroids deltamethrin (Cislin) and permethrin (Perigen). Acephate (Orthene) has been used in trials.

4. Insecticides used in urban termite control include:

aldrin, dieldrin, heptachlor, chlordane; arsenic trioxide has been used in past, and chlorpyrifos may be used in the future.

 Pesticides used in nurseries and plantations very according to need and cost, but include:

insecticides: g BHC (lindane), chlordane, dichlorvos, dicrotophos, endosulfan, fenthion, malathion and propoxur

fungicides: benomyl, Brassicol Calerus, metalaxyl, thiram.

In PNG, there are no official recommendations for use of insecticides and fungicides in forestry. Spot treatment is carried out at the time of an out-break. The cost of insecticides and fungicides are prohibitive. A little herbicide is used.

Proctor (pers. com.) estimates that around 1984 the market for timber treatment chemicals in PNG and the Solomons was worth close to 1.25 million kina, but the market value has decreased over the last two years to about 800,000 - 900,000 kina with more and more timber being left untreated. These chemicals were not included in the estimates of the market value of pesticides used in PNG in Chapter 4 (section 4.7). If they were the value for 1985 would be around 4.5 million kina, with 20% local formulation.

References on pesticides used in forestry and timber preservation are included in the bibliograpshy under PNG; these include

numbers 203. 204, 220. 286, 287, 291 - 293, 314, 326, 343, 349, 390.

## 7.22 Problems associated with use of chemicals

Aitken (1976 - Biblio No 349) cites an instance of poisoning by arsenic by persons who used arsenic treated timber-offcuts for cooking. Konabe (1984 - Biblio No 291) mentions a case of poisoning by sodium PCP.

Macfarlane and other government officers (pers.com.) worried greatly about the safety of workers in treatment plants in the Solomons where plant hygiene was poor and inadequate attention was placed on human safety.

Pilotti (1985 - Biblio No 343) sent a questionnaire to wood preservation plants throughout PNG and found that out of the 22 sawmills who responded:

- 12 provide full protective clothes for their employees (gloves, boots, aprons). Six also provide respirators for mixing. Three provide gloves only; five provide gloves and boots; two provide no protective clothing.
- 18 have washing facilities on site.
- 3. 4 carry out regular medical checks.
- 18 burn waste timber and three have burial pits.
   Sometimes sawdust and ash is used as landfill or used on roads.
- 5. 3 do not burn nor bury containers. Some containers (drums) are returned to the supplier or used for storing sludge on site. Generally plastic chemical bags are burnt. One sawmill dumps them into a nearby river.
- 9 remove spillages by hosing whilst four use sawdust to contain the spill. 8 claim to have no spillages of chemicals.
- 7. Drainage around the treatment areas is only directed back to the sump in four sawmills. 12 allow drainage into surrounding ground and six also allow drainage into natural watercourses. Four use public drains.
- 8. 13 provide housing on site; 6 of these burn treated offcuts and sawdust on site - and occupants use rainwater which is possibly contaminated by arsenic and chromium from ash from the burnt timber.
- 4 allow employees to use waste timber for firewood. This could be a potential hazard if the wood had been treated.

#### Overall Pilotti concludes that

. plant hygiene is generally poor

. most plant operators are unaware of, or choose to ignore environmental hazards of wood preservatives

. inspections by forestry personnel should should place greater emphasis on safety aspects of operations

 guidelines for safety and a code of practice should be immmediately introduced.

Recently the Forest Products Research Council produced a draft 'Code of Practice' (FPRC, 1984 - Biblio No 286). This publication sets out guidelines for safe and efficient use of chemicals in timber treatment and wood preservation Hilton (1985 - Biblio No 390) also published a manual of safe use of foestry chemicals.

One further problem has arisen in PNG. In both Kavieng and Manus largestocks piles of CCA chemicals have been stored out in the weather by the Forestry Department. At Kavieng 25 44 gallon drums (possibly worth close to K25,000) have been standing in these rusted drums for upto 5 years despite advice from the supplier to use/dispose of them; another government treatment plant operates closeby. Similarly in Manus 10 -15 drums lie out in the weather, with a treatment plant also nearby. This is a classic example of what should not be allowed to happen!

## 7.3 SUMMARY

Very little information exists on the use of pesticides in forestry and timber treatment in the region. Most chemicals which are used are used in timber treatment. These chemicals are generally quite toxic. Problems have arisen in their use and will continue to arise unless better hygiene standards are enforced and workers are educated both on their potential human and environmental hazards.

A thorough study on the use of pesticides in forestry and timber treatment in countries of the South Pacific should be immmediately conducted with the aim to improve the safety and efficacy of their use.

## CHAPTER 8 BANNED AND RESTRICTED PESTICIDES

## 8.1 INTRODUCTION

Much concern has been expressed in recent years that many pesticides which are restricted for use by certified operators or severely restricted or banned in their country of origin, are exported to and/or freely available in third world countries. (Weir and Shapiro, 1981 - Pub No Ul2; Bull, 1982 - Pub No U3; Pesticide Action Network, 1983; Weir 1986 - Pub No Ul3 ). The inference of such criticisms is that if a chemical is banned or restricted in its country of origin, it should not be used in the third world nations. However, the situation is not so clear cut. Many different reasons exist for banning or restriction. When they are concerned with human or environmental hazards special heed must be taken. Certainly if a product is rejected in its country of origin as being of poor quality, beyond expiry date or too hazardous then the importing nation should prohibit importation. The importing nation must take the inititative to control the entry and use of pesticides within its boundaries.

A pesticide may well be restricted in a given country - not because of its toxic properties but for some good and sufficient agricultural reason. Some pesticides may not be registered in some countries because their are no potential markets for the pesticide. Some chemicals which are banned or restricted in their country of origin, may have a particular necessary application in a particular importing nation; e.g. DDT in vector control programmes in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. The importing nation must weigh the costs and benefits of such chemicals.

Similarly, any chemicals which are registered in their country of origin but which are considered unsuitable or too hazardous for use in local conditions, must be prohibited for import. Again the initiative and onus to control the entry and use of pesticides rests with the importing nation. To provide safe products and adequate information about those products is the responsibility of the exporter.

The draft FAO code of conduct incorporated the principal of 'prior informed consent'. (FAO 1984 - Publ. no Ol ) However FAO (1986 - Publ. no O2) has now amended this and has accepted the IRPTC/UNEP provisional notification scheme. The UNEP scheme merely requires countries which ban or severely restrict pesticides to notify, directly or indirectly, the designated national authority in other countries. The FAO code of conduct and 'prior informed consent are discussed in section 8.3.

## 8.2 SITUATION IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC

The problem in the South Pacific for both proposals is that there may not necessarily be 'a designated national authority'. Where there is, this authority (registrar) is grossly overburdened with many divergent responsibilities.

Whereas some 'dumping of pesticides' undoubtedly does exist in the South Pacific, the actual extent is not known. Most of the major suppliers of pesticides will claim to adopt a responsible attitude to the sale and distribution of pesticides. Many belong to their trade associations which accept the 'FAO Code of Conduct'.

Table 40 lists the numbers of pesticides banned or restricted elsewhere in the world which are available in the South Pacific. It also lists the numbers of pesticides available which are placed in the 'extremely hazardous' and 'highly hazardous' classes of the WHO recommended classification by hazard. (WHO, 1986 - Pub No J4) It should be noted that in the South Pacific only those territories under US legislation plus the Solomon Islands and more recently New Caledonia (and hopefully Papua New Guinea) presently place pesticides in a 'restricted use category'. Also the hazard category is based on the formulation, so compounds with a low percentage of active ingredient may 'drop' hazard categories.

Table 40 Number of pesticides (a.i.) available in the South Pacific which are banned or restricted elsewhere or are regarded by WHO as extremely or highly hazardous (includes Australia and New Zealand)

Category	Number
Compounds 'banned, withdrawn, not approved' in USA	20
Compounds 'severely restricted' in USA	22
Compounds which are for 'restricted use' in USA or territories	58
Compounds 'banned withdrawn, not approved' in other countries but not USA	66
Total number of compounds 'banned, withdrawn, not approved' somewhere in the world	86
Total number of compounds 'banned, withdrawn.	
Total number of compounds 'banned, withdrawn.  not approved' somewhere in the world	86

This table needs to be read in conjunction with the text, and should not be quoted out of context!

Table 41 lists the numbers of pesticides available in each of the countries and territories of the South Pacific. but for various reasons are not registered in Australia and New Zealand. This data has been derived from Table 3.

Table 41 Listing by country of the number of pesticides available in countries and territories of the South Pacific, but are not registered in Australia and/nor New Zealand.

Country	Number of Pesticides
American Samoa	2
CNMI	9
Cook Islands	3
Fiji	9
French Polynesia	97
Guam	12
Kiribati	1
Nauru	?
New Caledonia	11
Niue	2
Papua New Guinea	37
Pitcairn Island	0
Solomon Islands	2
Tokelau	1
Tonga	1
TTPI	69
Tuvalu	0
Vanuatu	7
Wallis et Futuna	1 (+?)
Total	177

Most of the pesticides not registered in Australia nor New Zealand are available in either countries which are under the US FIFRA or under French laws (and registration). Most of these pesticides are probably not used in the South Pacific countries but are 'available' since they are registered on the US mainland or in metropolitan France. The only other country presently with a large number of 'unregistered' pesticides is PNG, and most of these chemicals are used (if now used at all) in insignificant quantities. At present the reasons they are not registered in Australia or New Zealand is presently being ascertained. The Australia Department of Health (Toxicology Section) and New Zealand Pesticide Board are assisting. Possibly the main reason for many of them is that they are not needed or have been withdrawn from the market in Australia or New Zealand.

Table 42 lists pesticides known to be banned or restricted in USA and EEC. In some instances only particular formulations are banned or restricted. This list needs updating. It needs to also include those pesticides banned or restricted in Australia and New Zealand. the two countries which are the major sources of pesticides for the South Pacific region. A complete list of all chemicals which are listed in Table 3 which are banned, severly restricted or restricted. or are regarded by WHO as being 'extremely hazardous' or 'highly hazardous' is given in Appendix C Tables 54 to 62.

In fact many of the products listed as banned or severely restricted in the USA or EEC are registered in Australia and/or New Zealand, countries which both have effective registration evaluation systems. It is worth noting that sometimes authorities in both countries differ on aspects of pesticide safety so compounds may be banned or severly restricted in one country but not the other. In Australia the ultimate decisions rest with state authorities, who also may make different decisions concerning restrictions/banning. Non-government organisations, be they companies or action groups (eg Greenpeace, Friends of the Earth, Pesticide Action Group) contain scientists who also differ in their interpretation of available toxicological data, and whether substances should be banned, restricted etc..

Some of these severely restricted or restricted pesticides are used in South Pacific countries solely by government agencies under fairly strictly controlled conditions, eg EDB, methyl bromide, chloropicrin for fumigation work.

In 1984 the International Organization of Consumer Unions listed 44 'problem pesticides' which they consider harmful and forwhich more information should be made available ( IOCU, 1984 lst ed.-Publ. no P4). 43 of these pesticides ( not including schradan ) are available in the region, with the following all appearing in table 5 which is a list of the pesticides most widely available in the region:

captan, carbaryl, chlordane, 2,4-D, diazinon, dichlorvos, dieldrin, endosulfan, lindane, malathion metaldehyde, paraquat and 2,4,5-T

On June 5 1985 IOCU launched a global campaign to ban the use of the following 12 pesticides (groups) whereever their safe use cannot be insured (IOCU. 1985). They are:

DDT, EDB, aldrin/dieldrin/endrin, chlordimeform, parathion. 2,4,5-T, paraquat, DBCP, chlordane/heptachlor, lindane/HCH, toxaphene, PCP.

Alternatives to these hazardous pesticides have been proposed by Gips (1986).

It must be noted that all banned or severely resticted or hazardous pesticides are registered (and banned) somewhere in the world. Even malathion is banned in India! These pesticides are banned or restricted for many different reasons. However according to UN Secretariat (1984 - Pub No P2) and other publications given in chapter 14 section P, the main reason given for most is that they are considered hazardous to human health.

Table 42 Some banned or restricted pesticides in U.S.A. or EEC, presently used in South Pacific.

acrolein acrylontrile aldicarb aldrin aluminium phosphide amitraz arsenic compounds acetates methyl BHC (other than lindane) calcium cyanide camphechlor (toxaphene) carbofuran chloranil chlordane chlordecone chlorfenvinphos chlorobenzilate chloropicrin compound 1080 coumafury1 2.4-D DDT demeton diallate dicrotophos dieldrin diflubenzuron dinoseb dioxathion diphacinone disulfoton endrin erbon ethion ethoprop fenoprop fensulfothion fenthion fluoroacetamide

fonophos heptachlor hydrocyanic acid isocyanurates mercury (all) metham sodium methamiphos methomyl methyl bromide mevinphos mirex monocrotophos monuron nitrofen paris green paraquat parathion ethyl parathion methyl phenyl mercury acetate phorate phosacetim phosphamidon picloram pirimicarb sodium arsenite sodium cyanide sodium fluoride strobane strychnine sulfotepp 2.4,5-T TEPP terbufos terbutrylazine thallium sulphate warfarin

In the South Pacific countries there exists either no pesticide legislation and/or regulations, or legislation are not enforced. There is very little certification of applicators and many of the users are uneducated and untrained in the use of toxic chemicals. For these reasons, it would be wise for the countries ofthe South Pacific to restrict the use of the chemicals they import and for the relevant bodies in each to recommend the safer pesticides, ie. those in Class II or below in the WHO Recommended Classification of Pesticides by Hazard. (WHO, 1986 - Pub No J4).

Firman (1981 - Biblio No 615) outlines plant protection measures including the use of some pesticides. However, among the most commonly available pesticides in the South Pacific (see Tables 3 and 5) are some which Firman does not recommend for general use for safety and other reasons. See Table 43. Many other pesticides available (as listed in Table 3) including some known to be used would not be recommended due to their hazard rating.

Table 43 List of Pesticides commonly available in South Pacific not recommended for general use by Firman (1981)

carbofuran	fenamiphos
DDT	fenthion
dichlorvos	methomyl
dieldrin	methyl bromide
endosulfan	monocrotophos
ethoprophos	

The South Pacific countries need specific information available for reference when each country considers registration and/or recommendations for use or import permits. An up dated compilation is needed of those pesticides which are banned or severely restricted for use in U.S., E.E.C., Australia and New Zealand, and the reason for banning or restriction. Lists should also be made of 'restricted' or 'general use' pesticides recommended in the region. Such data should be kept by the SPC Plant Protection Office. This is further discussed in Part C of this report.

## 8.3 INTERNATIONAL REGISTER FOR POTENTIALLY TOXIC CHEMICALS, FAO CODE OF CONDUCT AND 'PRIOR INFORMED CONSENT'.

In 1977 the Governing Council of UNEP adopted a decision whereby it urged governments to take steps to ensure that potentially harmful chemicals, in whatever form or commodity, which are unacceptable for domestic purposes in the exporting country, are not permitted to be exported without the knowledge and consent of appropriate authorities in the importing country. In 1978, the Governing Council appealed to countries exporting potentially harmful chemicals to prevent the export of items which are restricted, or not registered for use, in the countries of origin until all appropriate imformation has been provided to the designated authorities in the recipient countries, so that these authorities can make fully informed decisions (IRPTC, 1985). In 1984, the Governing Council of UNEP adopted a Provisional Notification Scheme for Banned and Severely Restricted Chemicals. UNEP's International Register for Potentially Tocic Chemicals (IRPTC) provides the facilities for the implementation of this scheme which covers both notification of national control action and information exchange regarding the export of banned and severely restricted chemicals, especially where the chemicals pose human or environmental hazards. (IRPTC, 1984).

By Resolution 37/137 the United Nations General Assembly in December 1982 agreed overwhelmingly to the principle of 'prior-informed consent' with 146 countries voting in favour, with one country, the US, voting against, with no abstentions. In part they agreed that

products banned from domestic use or sale because of their potential harm can only be exported upon request from the importing country, or when the sale or use of such products is officially permitted in the importing country.

In 1986 FAO (FAO, 1986 - Pub. No O2) published a 'code of conduct on the distribution and use of pesticides'. This code of conduct had been adopted by the 87th Session of the FAO Council in Rome in June 1985. FAO did so to try to ensure responsible action by manufacturers, exporters and importers. Numbers of governments and non-government organizations had expressed concern at the propriety of supplying pesticides to countries which do not have the infrastructures to register pesticides and to ensure safe and efficient use. In particular the export to such countries of pesticides which have been banned or severly restricted has been the subject of much debate.

Many government and non-government persons have been critical of FAO for changing parts of the original draft which incorporated the principle of 'prior informed consent' (Article 9 - Information Exchange'). In the draft (FAO. 1984 - Pub. No Ol), Article 9 read in part

Governments of pesticide exporting countries which take action to ban or severely restrict the use or handling of a pesticide in order to protect health or the environment domestically should take appropriate measures to ensure that:

any trader involved in export of such a pesticide informs the responsible authority in the importing country of the bans and restrictions imposed;...

no export takes place without prior notification to the importing government ..., and without the explicit consent of the importing country.

The principle of 'prior informed consent' would operate in the following way: information on the domestic regulatory status of a banned or severely restricted pesticide would be made available to the importing country; that country government would then decide whether or not it wished to import the pesticide and communicate that decision to the exporting country government; the exporting country government would then permit the export only when the positive consent of the importing country government has been received (IOCU, 1985 per. com.)

The requirement for 'prior informed consent ' has deen deleted from the recently agreed 'code of conduct'. The requirement is now that the government of a pesticide-exporting country which takes action to ban or severely restrict the use or handling of a pesticide domestically for human health or environmental reasons should notify. directly or indirectly, the designated national authorities in other countries of the action it has taken. Provision of such information should take place prior to the time of first export following the control action, and should recur if significant changes are made in the control action. IRPTC should assist in the implementation of this scheme.

The main problem concerning both above schemes is that in the South Pacific many countries have no effective legislation, no designated authority, nor the infrastructure to regulate the importation, sale and distribution of pesticides. (See Chapters 12 and 13). However where these do exist it is my contension (and that of many third world governments) that only 'prior informed consent' can ensure that the decisions are firmly in the hands of the importing countries. Moreover it would better ensure the necessary information exchange.

In fact in the Netherlands the export of banned and severely restricted chemicals is now regulated by legislation (in the Chemical Substances Act). On the first of June 1986 a voluntary export-notification regulation came into force; it contains a priorinformed consent procedure. Moreover the Netherlands chemical industry, producers as well as traders, have declared that they will

export substances in the Dutch list of banned and severely restricted chemicals, only if the exporter has made certain that the use of that chemical is not forbidden in the country of import and if the designated authority has no objects to the import from the point of view of protecting man and the environment (v.d. Meer, pers.com.). Nauru and Vanuatu had notified the Netherlands Government of their designated authority. I provided them with the list of focal points given in Table 1.

The United States (through EPA) has for 15 years operated a notification system for pesticide exports and regulatory decisions. According to section 17(b) of FIFRA, EPA must notify all governments, world-wide, of major regulatory actions concerning US pesticide registrations, such as cancellations or suspensions of uses. Upon request, EPA will provide additional information. Also under section 17(a) of FIFRA EPA issues international notifications concerning the US's pesticide exports. Under this provision, added to FIFRA in 1978, EPA must notify the government of another country the first time each year that a pesticide not registered in the US is exported to a purchaser in that country. EPA requires that the foreign purchaser of an unregistered pesticide sign a statement acknowledging an understanding that a pesticide is not registered for use in the US, and cannot be sold or used anywhere in the US. A copy of this statement must then be transmitted to the government of the importing country (Schatzow, 1985). In Papua New Guinea receipt of such notifications from US EPA has been irregular. Seldom has the appropriate authorities been notified. Hopefully with newly implemented legislation and a designated authority such information exchange will improve. This lack of notification is widespread in the Pacific. Authorities have indicated that they would welcome any information they could receive from the US EPA.

Over the last few years IRPTC has provided much information on bannings, restrictions etc. In other ways they also assist. In 1984 they provided PNG with urgent information on sodium cyanide after a massive spill of this chemical at the mouth of the large Fly River. The chemical was being transported to the Ok Tedi copper mine (Mowbray, 1985). Through its query-response service IRPTC provided the PNG Government with valuable information on both potential human and environmental hazards posed by the cyanide spill. Unfortunately very few South Pacific countries have national correspondance; those that do include Papua New Guinea (Department of Environment and Conservation), Tonga (Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry) and Western Samoa (Department of Health). SPREP also (through the author) receives regular correspondance, bulletins etc from IRPTC. More South Pacific countries need to 'join' IRPTC.

## 8.4 SUMMARY

In the South Pacific many pesticides are available which are banned or severely restricted elsewhere in the world (Table 40). This includes 41 which are banned or severely restricted in the USA, and 58 which are for restricted use. 94 are classified (by technical ingredient) by WHO as extremely or highly hazardous. 177 out of 620 available in the South Pacific are not registered for use in Australia or New Zealand. Reasons for this is being investigated. However most of these pesticides are probably not (now) used in the region, though 37 of them are known to have been used in the last 9 years in PNG.

At present information is being sought on the extent of use of these chemicals. and why they have been banned or restricted. Generally, where banning, restrictions etc. are based on toxicological environmental or social reasons special consideration must be given. Because of the lack of appropriate legislation, lack of designated authorities and the infrastructure to control importation, sale and use a regional advisory scheme/authority needs to be established. This is further discussed in Part C.

The FAO 'Code of Conduct'(in particular Article 9 on Information Exchange) and the IRPTC 'Provisional Notification Scheme for Banned and Severely Restricted Chemicals' whilst admirable in intention perhaps do not go far enough. It is contended that what is needed is a system of 'prior informed consent' as originally proposed in the draft FAO Code. This would ensure better information exchange and give the importing country better control on importation. IRPTC should provide the critical backup to guarantee the information exchange. Countries in the South Pacific are strongly recommended to appoint national correspondants so they can fully utilise IRPTC's facilities.

# 9.1 PUBLICATIONS ON RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PESTICIDE USE

Refer to Question 3.1 in Table 2

Many countries produce small booklets, brochures. pamphlets. roneoed notes, technical bulletins and advisory leaflets. Unfortunately many of these publications are unavailable or not easily accessible outside the country in which they are produced. Small numbers of such publications however are held in the following libraries: USP, UOG, UPNG, and SPC, and in the Plant Protection Office of SPC in Fiji. These are listed in the bibliography.

The SPC and a number of countries have produced substantive publications which contain recommendations for pest control and safe use of pesticides. These are briefly cited below. They are cited in full in the bibliography under the country of origin and the appropriate subject. Some have brief annotations.

#### Cook Islands

BOTTRELL, Dale 1982 Bibliography no. 20.

LEITMANN, J. 1983 Bibliography no. 11.

MANARANGI, A and LEITMANN, J. 1982 Bibliography no. 13.

## Fiji

GRAHAM, K.M. 1971 Bibliography no. 76.

SINGH, S.R. 1973 Bibliography no. 37/78.

SWAIN, G. 1971 Bibliography no. 79.

## French Polynesia

REBOUL, Jean, TAEAETUA, A. and YAU, R. 1973. Bibliography no. 116.

REBOUL, J.L., TAEAETUA, A. and YAU DIT AKUI, R. 1978. Bibliography no. 117.

REBOUL, J.L., TAEAETUA, A. and YAU DIT AKUI, R. 1978.
Bibliography no. 118.

#### Guam

BJORK, C. 1977. Bibliography no. 148.

BJORK, C. 1977. Bibliography no. 149.

BJORK, C. and BEVACQUA. R. 1980. Bibliography no. 150

MUNIAPPAN, R., CRUZ, F. and CRUZ, J.A. Bibliography no. 153.

MUNIAPPAN, R. [et al] Bibliography no. 152.

## Papua New Guinea

HENTY, E.E. and PRITCHARD, C.H. 1982. Bibliography no.323.

THISTLETON, B.M. (ed) 1983. Bibliography no.401.

Many leaflets are produced in <u>Harvest</u> as part of the following series:

Entomology Bulletins Plant Pathology Notes Horticulture Notes

See Bibliography under PNG

### Solomon Islands

MACFARLANE, R. [?] Bibliography no. 447.

## Tonga

CROCKER, P. 1979. Bibliography no. 467.

CROCKER, P. and FALALATA, O. 1981 Bibliography no. 466.

FRYAUFF, D.J. 1981. Bibliography no. 469.

FRYAUFF, D.J. and ENGLBERGER, K. Bibliography no. 470.

### TTPI

TRUJILLO, E.E. 1971. Bibliography no. 479.

## Western Samoa

DALE, P.S. and HERRING, J.L. 1956. Bibliography no. 498.

### South Pacific Commission

ANON. Bibliography no 579

FIRMAN, I.D. 1976. Bibliography no. 614.

FIRMAN, I.D. 1981 Bibliography no. 615.

JACKSON, G.V.H. 1980. Bibliography no. 621.

LAMBERT, M. 1973. Bibliography no. 623.

ROWE, F.P. 1975. Bibliography no. 631.

SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION. 1976 to 1985. Plant Protection Advisory Leaflets 1 to 14. Bibliography no. 633

STOUT, O.O. 1984 Bibliography no. 577.

### Australia

Each State Department of Agriculture also publishes leaflets on pest and disease problems and these incorporate recommendations. Some State Departments publish spray charts and others publish manuals such as weed control manuals.

AUSTRALIA. DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRY. 1979
Bibliography no. 644.

SNELLGROVE, J. 1982 Bibliography no. 641.

SNELLGROVE, J. 1982 Bibliography no. 642.

SNELLGROVE, J. 1982 Bibliography no. 643.

SNELLGROVE, J. 1983,85 PESTLIST refer page ..

QUEENSLAND AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE 1985 PESTKEM refer page ...

#### New Zealand

NEW ZEALAND. AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS BOARD. Bibliography no. 648.

NEW ZEALAND PESTICIDE BOARD 1986 unpublished computer print out.

## 9.2 ADVICE ON RECOMMENDATION FOR PESTICIDE USE

Refer to Question 3.2 in Table 2

For advice on recommendations, countries reported that they do the following:

1.	Review scientific literature	Fiji, New Caledonia, Solomons Tonga
2.	Seek advice of chemical	Cook Islands, French

- companies in Australia, Polynesia, New N.Z. France or U.S.A. Caledonia, PNG or other overseas
- 3. Seek advice of government American Samoa, Cook agencies in Australia N.Z. Islands, Kiribati, or U.S.A. New Caledonia, Pitcairn Island. PNG
- 4. Follow instructions on American Samoa. Guam, labels on product. New Caledonia
- 5. Follow WHO recommendations French Polynesia, Guam in public health programmes New Caledonia, PNG, Solomons, Tonga, Vanuatu, Western Samoa
- 6. Seek advice from SPC (includes American Samoa, Cook using Handbook)

  Islands, New Caledonia Tonga, Vanuatu
- 7. Review advice from elsewhere, but do own experimental trials. Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia, Guam, New Caledonia, PNG, Solomons, Tonga, Western Samoa.

In fact most countries probably do all 1-6. Those listed under 7 do experimental trials on selected crops, and consequently check and modify recommendations.

## 9.3 DECISION - MAKING ON PESTICIDE USE

Refer to Question 3.3 in Table 2

The efficacy of pesticides depends not only on the type of chemical or active ingredient but also on the type of formulation, the concentration the spraying method and the time of application. Most importantly, the pest species must be correctly

identified before the most appropriate and effective chemical can be chosen. One should also consider whether cultural or biological methods of control would be more appropriate.

Hence the choice of whether a pesticide is required, what pesticide to use, and when and how to use it, should be taken by an experienced person, particularly for use on a large scale. This person is usually an agricultural or health extension officer, entomologist, plant pathologist, pest control operator, chemical company representive or farmer. Whether they make the correct choice or not is sometimes debatable, and often only 'time will tell'. The effects on non-target insects and wildlife, and such problems as resistance, pest resurgence and secondary pest outbreak are factors that are often not considered. If the wrong pesticide or formulation is used if the pesticide is used incorrectly or at the wrong time, more problems may occur than benefits accrue.

To make the correct decision requires a trained person who has a detailed knowledge of the pest ecology and of alternative and complementory methods. Unfortunately throughout the South Pacific there are very few trained plant pathologists, entomologists or public health workers with experience and expertise with pesticides. Most of the persons working in these fields in the South Pacific are non-nationals. Countries with professional entomologists and/or plant pathologists include Fiji, French Polynesia, Guam Kiribati, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga, TTPI, and Western Samoa. The Universities in Guam (UOG), PNG (UPNG and UOT) and Western Samoa (USP at Alafua and in Suva ) all employ plant pathologists and entomologists and are training poeple in these areas. Entomologists with some expertise in pesticide use, are employed in vector control in PNG and the Solomon Islands. Research organisations employing such persons include CSIRO (Amstralia) in PNG, DSIR (New Zealand) in Cook Islands, CIRAD ( Centre de Cooperation Internationale en Recherche Agronomique pour Developpement (formerly Gerat-Irat) and ORSTOM (Office de la Recherche Scientifique et Technicique Outre-Mer) in French Polynesia and ORSTOM in New Caledonia. IRHO (Institut de Recherches pour les Huiles et Oleagineaux) employs an entomologist German Agency for Technical Co-operation (GTZ) is in Vanuatu involved in both Tonga and Western Samos. Both FAO and SPC employ entomologists and plant pathologists within the region. UNDP and FAO run jointly with SPC a project aimed at strengthening plant protection and root crop development in the South Pacific. This project has sponsored a postgraduate entomology student at UPNG. WHO employs vector control personel with expertise in pesticide use in PNG and Fiji. Chemical companies provide advice but most of their employees throughout the South Pacific are sales personel.

# 9.4 PUBLICATIONS ON SAFE USE OF PESTICIDES

Refer to Question 3.4 in Table 2.

In many countries small published brochures or leaflets are provided by agricultural or health departments on the safe handling of pesticides. They are usually in English or French, sometimes in a local language.

Most countries insist that basic safety precautions are included on the label.

Few substantive publications on the safe use of pesticides have been produced in in the South Pacific. In PNG a number of significant publications have been published specifically on this subject. The Fiji Department of Agriculture and Fisheries in conjunction with ARSAP produced a manual that includes a section on the safe use of pesticides:

FIJI. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES . 1983. Bibliography no. 75.

SUTHERLAND, J.A. 1983a. Bibliography no. 399.

SUTHERLAND, J.A. 1983b. Bibliography no. 400.

THISTLETON, B.M. and GREVE, J.E. van S. Bibliography no. 402.

WOHLFAHRT, D.J. 1981. Bibliography no. 403.

There are a number of substantive publications available and in use in the South Pacific that were not written specifically for South Pacific conditions nor published in the South Pacific. Again these are briefly cited here for identification. They are fully cited under BIBLIOGRAPHY or in the REFERENCES. Other pertinent UN documents are included in Chapter 14.

AUSTRALIA. DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRY.
Bibliography no. 645.

DAVIES, J.E., FREED, V.H., and WHITTEMORE, F.W. 1982. Bibliography no. 649.

DRESBACH, R.H. [latest edition) See References

MORGAN, D.P. 1982. Bibliography no. 650.

SELF, L.S. 1981. Bibliography no. 651.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. nd Bibliography no. 583.

While these manuals, books and advisory leaflets are available, there may still be a significant gap between the knowledge and advice available and the knowledge and understanding of the user, especially in the South Pacific region where so many of those

using pesticides are untrained and unsophisticated in regard to using toxic chemicals and where these materials may not be readily available. Ideally publications similar to that by Sutherland (1983b - Biblio no 400) should be more widely distributed and translated into local languages. Sutherland's publication is being translated into Tok Pisin.

It is also essential that safety and first-aid information be more widely disseminated and information on the treatment be placed in all major hospitals and health centres in the region. Poison Centres should be established in all larger countries eg Fiji and Papua New Guinea. Such centres could play a vital role in dessiminating such information. It would be useful if either of the following safety charts could be distributed to all main hospitals in the SP region:

- Chart on 'Emergency Medical Treatment for Acute Pesticide Poisoning', produced by the U.S. Navy, available from Disease Vector Ecology and Control Centre, US Naval Air Base, Jacksonville, Florida 32212 United States of America.
- Wall Chart for Emergency Medical Treatment for Acute Pesticide Poisoning. Bulletin 766B produced by Supelco; obtainable from Supelco, Inc., Supelco Park, Bellefonte, Pennsylvania 16823 United States of America.

## 9.5 TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES

In Guam and Tonga regular courses are held with extension workers and other pesticide users when safe handling is emphasised. Staff of the University of Guam conduct courses both in Guam and elsewhere in CNMI and in TTPI. Health Department Officers in the Cook Islands and Tonga and the Chemicals Officer in the PNG Department of Environment and Conservation are preparing small booklets or courses in safe use of pesticides. In Cook Islands, Fiji and PNG courses with emphasis on safe use of pesticide are conducted. In PNG such courses are part of the curricula of the agricultural colleges. The Education Officer of the South Pacific Regional Environment Program in 1985 produced a poster on PESTICIDES (SPREP, 1985) emphasising safety.

In American Samoa and Guam restricted use pesticides can only be used by certified users. In New Caledonia and the Solomon Islands (and soon in Papua New Guirea) restrictions have been placed on some of the more toxic pesticides, thus limiting their distribution. Those persons who used these chemicals must either have a 'certification certificate' or have demonstrated to the authorities a high degree of competence.

Four major training courses which have dealt with aspects of pesticide use and which have been run on a regional basis have been held over the last 5 years. They have been in chronological order:

1982 31 May to 11 June

FIJI MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES/ PPS/ESCAP/ARSAP Workshop on Pesticides and Fertilisers Suva, Fiji See Staring (1982) Biblio no 635.

1982 October

TONGA MAFF/ GTZ/USAID/CICP Subregional training course in methods of controlling diseases, insects and other pests of plants in the South Pacific, Tonga. See TONGA MAFF (1984) Biblio no 548.

1984 9 to 13 April

UNDP/FAO-SPC Subregional Workshop on Plant Quarantine Guidelines Suva, Fiji See SPC (1984) Biblio no 578.

1986 23 June to 4 July

SPREP/IOC/EAS Workshop on Organochlorines in Marine Animals, UPNG, Port Moresby See Mowbray and Baria(1986) Biblio no 588; Mowbray (in prep - Biblio no 653; Uthe (1986) Biblio no 654; and Uthe et al (1986) Biblio no 655.

At the Fourth Regional Technical Meeting on Plant Protection in Noumea in 1984 it was agreed to support recommendations, similar to that in Section C, which included recommendations re the licensing and certification, and training of pesticide users.

The South Pacific Commission recognizes the general paucity of suitably trained manpower on safe use and handling of pesticides in the region and has recognized that regional training courses for training of trainers and extension workers in this field should be organized.

Outside the region two institutions regular run courses which eould be of immense value in training national manpower within the region. They are:

Queensland Agricultural College, Department of Plant Protection at Lawes (Gatton) Queensland.

run short courses in 'Pesticide Application Technology'

Tropical Development and Research Institute, London, United Kingdom.

run short courses on 'Pesticide Residue Analysis', and various aspects of 'Pest Control Management'.

One severe problem faced in the region is that often a person is suitably trained, and then they change jobs; often they are promoted (due to extra qualifications), or they get better paid elsewhere, or they lose interest and leave.

What also is needed is an extensive educational programme run on a regional basis, but presented at a national level throughout the South Pacific. Such a programme would stress all aspects of safe use of pesticides at a 'grass-roots' level. Such a programme is discussed in greater detail in PART C.

## 9.6 SUMMARY

A few countries have produced their own publications both on recommendations and on safe use. Some countries run their own training and 'awareness' programs. Many countries either lack manpower with expertise to make competent recommendations on pesticide use or the few experts they do have are grossly overburdened with responsibilities. University and college-level training is available in the region and overseas. A few short training programmes have been conducted in the region, and others are also available overseas. A real problem is the lack of national manpower available for further training, and the guarantee that once trained they will stick in that job. Governments within the region require assistance to run 'grass-roots' awareness programmes on the safe and efficient use of pesticides.

# CHAPTER 10. PROBLEMS TO HUMANS AND WILDLIFE

## 10.1 HUMAN POISONING

Refer to Question 5.1 in Table 2.

Very little information is available in the region on cases of human poisonings. What data is available is scant and not well documented. The situation has been summarised in Mowbray (1986 - Biblio no 606).

In response to the questionnaire (Table 2), the respondants did not always differentiate between poisoning due to occupational use and unauthorised or contraindicated use when answering Question 5.1. For example, paraquat has caused a high number of deaths, but death following accidental or deliberate ingestion should be distinguished from death due to occupational use. Some persons have argued that although the deaths due to accident or intent are regretable, they bear no relation to the occupational use of the chemical.

Table 44 lists those pesticides known to have caused poisonings and death in certain cases in countries in the region. It should be noted that many of these deaths, particularly those caused by paraquat, have been deliberate and not accidental.

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The following was published in December 1985:

Taylor, R., Tama, K. and Goldstein, G. 1985 Paraquat poisoning in Pacific Island countries, 1975-1985. Report. SPC Technical Paper No 189.

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Table 44 Pesticides which have caused poisoning of humans in the South Pacific.

Those marked with \* have caused death though many of these deaths were deliberate and not accidental.

COUNTRY	PESTICIDES
 Cook Islands	methomyl, paraquat*, tridemorph
Fiji	diazinon, paraquat*, 2,4-D / 2,4,5 -T mixture
French Polynesia	paraquat*, PCP, organophosphates
Guam	diazinon
New Caledonia	methaldehyde*, mevinphos, dieldrin
Niue	paraquat*
PNG	acephate, arsenic. coumaphos, DDT, dichlorvos, dieldrin, dimethoate, methomyl, methyl bromide, methyl parathion, mevinphos, monocrotophos, paraquat*, parathion, propoxur, rotenone*, sodium PCP, trichlorfon, unspecified timber treatment chemical (possibly CCA)
Solomon Islands	diazinon*, unspecified organophosphate or carbamate
Tonga	carbofuran, mancozeb,
TTPI (FSM)	endrin, sodium arsenite
Vanuatu	dieldrin, parathion*
Western Samoa	arsenic trioxide*, mancozeb, paraquat*, tridemorph.

mancozeb and tridemorph cause skin irritation.

The only data available are from Fiji, Papua New Guinea and Western Samoa. Mowbray (1986) summarises the situation on pesticide poisoning in the South Pacific. In brief the main problem chemical is paraquat, mostly through intentional misuse and because of its wide availability. Western Samoa, Fiji and Papua New Guinea have had high incidences of paraquat poisoning with significant numbers of deaths. Most of these deaths have been intentional. Many have been accidental because people drank paraquat which was stored in unlabelled drinking containers.

Levine (1986) stated that 10 persons were accidentally poisoned in Western Samoa in 1972. In Western Samoa between 1973 and 1984, 205 persons have suicided using paraquat. (N.B. the numbers vary according to source). Between 1970 and 1972, 5 persons suicided with arsenic trioxide.

In Fiji between 1976 and 1981. 59 persons were admitted to one major hospital with paraquat poisoning, 27 of whom died. In 1980, 44 persons were admitted to hospitals in Fiji with paraquat poisoning; 21 died. In Macuata province on Vanua Leva Island, Fiji, from 1979 to 1982, 17 persons suicided with pesticides. Most used paraquat, though some used a spray containing 2.4-D and 2,4,5-T. One hospital in Fiji reported 16 persons dying from paraquat poisoning in 1982, and 10 more in May 1983. In April, 1984 a farmer is reported to have died after spilling undiluted paraquat on his skin.

In PNG, between 1969 and 1984, 45 persons are known to have died from paraquat poisoning. In 1985 one further confirmed case of suicide was reported to the author from Mount Hage Hospital (Beavis, pers.com.) In both 1985 and 1986 there have been reported a number of further though unconfirmed cases. In publications listed in 10.3, Wohlfahrt lists 47 known poisonings due to paraquat from 1969 to 1981, 35 of these fatal. These cases were mostly from highlands provinces, mainly from Western Highlands Province; others came from Southern Highlands, Enga and Eastern Highlands. One case was reported from Oro and one from West New Britain. In 1983 he informed me that he had heard of a further 32 incidences of paraquat poisonings in the highlands provinces. However, these reports were not confirmed.

The addition of emetics, stenchants and dyes in paraquat and an educational awareness programme have greatly reduced the incidences of paraquat poisoning in PNG. Similarly incidences in Western Samoa have also decreased.

In PNG, rotenone from derris and related plants is traditionally used in some areas when persons are threatening or attempting suicide.

While the data on acute poisoning in the South Pacific is scant, no confirmed reports have been made on possible chronic effects to pesticide users in the South Pacific. It would be difficult to distinguish such effects. In Guam in the last five years three persons between the ages of 32 and 54 who were engaged in

pesticide application have died, one from cancer and two from cardiac arrest. However there is no sufficient evidence to link their deaths to pesticide poisoning.

Incidence of poisoning in Fiji, PNG and Western Samoa is probably high compared to those in Australia and New Zealand considering the larger populations and their much greater use of agrochemicals. In Australia, according to Davies (1981), from 1971 to 1980 there were 450 cases of poisonings due to agricultural chemicals reported annually. 350 of these occurred amongst children aged 0 to 4 years old. During the whole 10 years period, only 15 persons died, 8 of whom were suicides. In N.Z., the Department of Health (1981) reports from 1978 to 1980, 25 cases of poisonings due to agricultural chemicals reported annually. The number of fatal poisonings is very low. In 1980 5 persons died from pesticides: one by an organophosphate, one from bipyridyls (paraquat) and three from cyanide.

Levine (1986) reviewed the world-wide situation concerning mortality and morbidity due to unintentional pesticide poisoning. He cites four estimates of global (unintentional) poisonings and deaths per year:

stimate	No of unintentional poisoning	Deaths
A	1,111,000	20,000
В	1,528,000	28,000
С	1,056,000	20,000
D	834,000	3,000

Bull (1982 - Publ. no U3 ) estimated 750,000 poisonings with 13,800 deaths per year (presumably including suicides).

All estimates make assumptions and use incomplete information. Whichever is the more correct is not important. Unintentional poisoning has been and still remains a major worldwide problem.

From data supplied by Levine (1986) and Mowbray (1986 - Biblio no 606) I have made comparisons of average mortality for either accidental or total pesticide poisonings over the periods indicated. See Table 45.

Table 45 Accidental and Total Poisonings by Pesticides in Selected Countries.

( deaths per 1,000,000 persons per year)

Country	Period	Accidental	TOTAL
Australia	1971-1980	0.05	0.10
	1979-1983	0.18	and the
New Zealand	1980	0.32	1.6
USA	1979	0.13	
Canada	1979-1983	0.04	
Japan	1979-1983	1.83	
Brazil	1979-1981	0.42	
PNG	1969-1984		1.1*
Fiji	1976-1983		16.4*
Western Samoa	1970-1984		89.2*

<sup>\*</sup> most cases were intentional (suicide cases)

Incidences of poisoning deaths were very high in Fiji and Western Samoa, though mainly through intentional poisoning by suicide. Incidences of poisoning is much less in PNG. Incidence of poisoning in all countries is much higher than in Australia, though that in PNG is similar to that in New Zealand. However much more pesticide is used in both Australia and New Zealand. Accidental poisoning is low in most countries.

If the number of poisonings in PNG is representative of the South Pacific overall, I would estimate about six deaths at minimum per year, with an unknown number of mild or severe (but not fatal) poisonings.

Clearly there is a need for a Poisons Information Centre in the Pacific to (1) maintain a record of poisoning incidences, and (2) to provide immediate advice on treatment as required.

When poisonings do occur, in PNG eg , doctors invariably refer to the latest edition of Dreisbach:

DREISBACH, R.H. 1983. Handbook of Poisoning (11th edition). Lange Medical Publications, Los Altos, California, 632p

Other useful publications on poisonings include the two charts referred to in section 9.4, and

DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH , NSW 1983. Poisoning by Pesticides. Department of Industrial Relations, Sydney.

PLEISTENA R. 1984 see Publ. no M17.

ICI has also published and widely distributed a publication on treatment of paraquat poisoning:

ICI Australia 1980 The Treatment of paraquat poisoning. A guide for doctors. Melbourne. ICI Australia.

## 10.2 POISONING OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS, FISH AND WILDLIFE

Refer to Question 5.2 in Table 2.

Very little documented evidence exists on poisonings other than that of humans in the South Pacific region. Only isolated incidences of poisonings have been reported and many of these lack confirmation.

Table 46 Reports on Poisonings of domestic animals, fish and wildlife in South Pacific.

Country	Report
CNMI	poisoning of cattle by organoarsenate herbicide
Cook Islands	animals killed by oil dumped in streams
Fiji	dogs deliberately poisoned by metaldehyde.
French Polynesia	fish in rivers killed by deltamethrin and other agricultural chemicals
New Caledonia	dogs poisoned by organophosphate baits; chickens by metaldehyde
PNG	DDT and lindane killed fish in small creeks and streams; cats and non target insects in village houses died after DDT spraying (roofs collapsed); cattle killed by dimethoate and diazinon; rotenone (derris) used traditionally to kill fish; DDT and unspecified timber treatment chemical (possibly CCA) used to catch fish.
Solomon Islands	fish killed by using temephos illegally
Tokelau	fish and coral killed by lindane; fish kill by DDT
Tonga	foal poisoned after drinking from drum containing benomyl and banana misting oil
TTPI	fish killed by endrin (Truk); large scale kill of fish, wildlife and domestic animals by endrin and sodium arsenite leakage into lagoon (Yap)
Western Samoa	dogs poisoned by licking used paraquat containers.

The largest reported kills both involved cattle. One occurred in PNG in February 1984. 53 cattle were sprayed wath diazinon. 44 Brahman and Brahman-cross cattle died within 10-30 minutes. Subsequent analysis showed that the diazinon used had totally decomposed into breakdown products, one 14000 times more toxic than diazinon. The other occurred in CNMI. 75 cattle died from drinking water in old and discarded drums which had originally contained an organoarsenate herbicide. The drums were unmarked and it was presumed that they were old military drums left to sit on unused land. When it rained, water collected in the drums.

No autopsy was conducted on the dead foal in Tonga. Both pesticides have very low LD50's Hence no definite cause of death can be ascertained.

Marschall (1976 - Biblio no 451 ) reported cases of fish and coral poisoning in Tokelau:

- accidental spillage of lindane into lagoon caused coral death
- . DDT 'accidentally' thrown into lagoon caused large fish kill.

Falanruw (1980 - Biblio no 481 ) reported cases of poisoning in the Federated States of Micronesia (TTPI):

- . fish kill associated with endrin contamination in lagoon on Truk.
- endrin and sodium arsenite leakage into freshwater stream and lagoon caused death of everything in stream and fish and plankton kill in lagoon, and death of seabirds, rats and sickness of chickens in Federated States of Micronesia (Yap).

An unsighted article by Lambert (1977 - Biblio no 517) refers to the effects of DDT and endrin on coral reefs in Western Samoa.

An unidentified SPREP Memo notes that a hurricane carried an agricultural store house into a lagoon killing reef and fish. This incident needs verification.

Appendix 17 of SPC et al (1984, Biblio no 593b) list some of the above examples, plus mention a further spill in Yap Harbour by an unnamed pesticide.

Bourke (1973) reports on effects on anti-malarial DDT spraying on non-target insects causing house roofs to rot. There is in fact much unpublished data on this in 'Malarial Control' files in PNG. Similar effects are reported from the Solomon Islands (Macfarlane, 1984 pers.com.)

From 1983 to 1985 a series of articles and letters appeared in Nature and other scientific publications (Biblio nos 137, 138, 141, 142, 143). Some suggested that pesticides could have been responsible for the decline in bird species in Guam, but this is now thought not to be the case.

Similarly only isolated incidences of acute poisoning have been reported in Australia and New Zealand. Whilst I was studying effects in pesticides on wildlife around cotton fields in NSW from 1972 to 1977 (Mowbray, 1978), I observed and heard of cases of fish and bird kills both in cotton areas, and in other agricultural areas in Australia. However, it is often difficult to prove conclusively the cause.

Cases of chronic poisoning due to pesticides have been reported both in New Zealand and Australia. These include effects on both fish and birds. In New Zealand this includes the death of rainbow trout fry in lakes due to high DDT residues in their yolk sacs (Hopkins, 1969; Dack and Scott, 1971). In Australia, eggshell thinning in some birds of prey due to DDT throughout Australia was reported by Pepperell (1975) and Olsen and Olsen (1979). Similarly I showed eggshell thinning was occurring in kookaburras and nankeen kestrels living around cotton fields in NSW (Mowbray, 1978). Summaries of studies on the environmental impact of pesticides in Australia have been collected and recently published by Bowen and Templeton (1984). No such studies have been done throughout the South Pacific, so no data is available.

## 10.3 PUBLICATIONS ON POISONING TO HUMANS AND WILDLIFE

Refer Question 5.3 in Table 2.

Only the respondants from French Polynesia, Guam, Kiribati and myself could name known publications, although persons in Fiji and Western Samoa knew that some publications did exist. Most publications on the problems caused by pesticides are on human poisonings or public health concerns. Few articles cover the effects to wildlife or the environment in the South Pacific. This is a reflection of the minimal data available. Articles on residues are mentioned in Chapter 11.

Extensive information on poisonings to humans and wildlife in Australia is available through:

Commonwealth Department of Health P.O. Box 100. Woden, ACT 2616.

The following list includes references not mentioned in sections 10.1 and 10.2. It is certainly not complete. It does not include newspaper articles, although it includes one article from Islands Business. More work needs to be done to compile a complete listing. Refer to Bibliography for full citation, where publications are listed under their countries.

Further publications known on this subject from the South Pacific include:

### Fiji

- 1. DAVIES, R.E. 1980 Bibliography no. 63.
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### 10.4 SUMMARY

Pesticides are not a major cause of poisoning in most South Pacific countries, although high instances of intentional poisoning have occurred in Fiji, PNG and Western Samoa. Paraquat is the main problem pesticide, due to its wide availablity and high oral toxicity.

Very little information is available on known effects on domestic animals and wildlife. The two largest known poisonings both killed many cattle; due to diazinon break-down-products(in PNG) and an organoarsenate herbicide (in CNMI).

Little literature is available; that which is, is listed in the bibliograpphy (Part B).

# 11.1 LABORATORY FACILITIES AND PERSONNEL

Refer Question 6.1 and 6.2 in Table 2.

To be able to do pesticide analyses laboratories need, apart from a gas chrmatograph and adequate glassware, at minimum a good supply of gases and chemicals, plenty of funds and skilled technical expertise.

There are at present seven laboratories in the region capable of doing residue analysis, though some may need extra accessory equipment. These laboratories are:

# Fiji

 Chemistry Laboratory, Dept. of Agriculture Koronivia Research Station

Principal Research Officer is Dr. R.V. Duve.

This laboratory would need a lot more equipment to do regular monitoring. It has not done any pesticide analysis to date. Ms Iliseva Ledua, a technical officer in this laboratory attended the Organochlorine Workshop at UPNG in June-July 1986.

 Institute of Natural Resources, University of the South Pacific

> Principal Chemists are Dr. John Morrison and Dr. Jan Brodie, and senior technician is Ms Regina Prasad.

This laboratory would need more equipment and staff. However it regards pesticide residues as priority though it is has not done any pesticide residue analysis to date. INR is the lead institution in the SPREP 'Coastal and Inland Water Quality Projects' See section 11.5. It is proposed that this laboratory be supported so that in conjunction with their own proposals they be given extra financial assistance to ensure that they also be able to do pesticide residues and formulations, as proposed in section 11.6.

Ms Prasad and Ms Neelam Keshni attended the Organochlorine Workshop at UPNG.

## French Polynesia

 Laboratoire d' Etudes et de Surveillance de l'Environnement (L.E.S.E.) attached to Commissariat a l' Energie Atomique, Institut de Protection et de Surete Nucleaire in Mahina, Tahiti.

Principal Chemist is Dr Beade.

It is equipped with suitable materials such as two gas chromatographs and atomic absorption spectrophotometer for analysing pesticide residues on a large scale. To date it has done pesticide residue analysis on a medium scale, and monitoring is carried out. The priorities of this laboratory are presently unknown. It needs more staff. It does by far the most analyses of the laboratories presently operating in the region.

M. Jean-Louis Denardi, a senior research officer attended the Organochlorine Workshop at UPNG. At present arrangements are being made for Mr Mulo Kapush of UPNG to work at LESE for 2-3 months in 1987, and to receive further training from M. Denardi.

Guam

 Chemistry Laboratory, Monitoring Services Division, Guam EPA

Chief chemist is Mr. Ken Morphew, senior chemist is Mila Padoi, and chemist is Carmen Hardina.

This laboratory does routine pesticide monitoring in water samples. It would need more equipment and staff to embark on larger scale monitoring. However, it regards pesticide residues as a priority. It is suggested that this laboratory be supported as proposed in Section C. Ms Hardina attended the Organochlorine Workshop, but expects to be on study leave in Hawaii for the next 15 months.

 College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, (CALS) University of Guam

Staff is Dr. Jefren Demeterio

This laboratory is restricted to doing limited pesticide residues as part of research work.

Water and Energy Research Institute (WERI).
 University of Guam

The Water Laboratory has the facilities for doing pesticide residue analyses.

# Papua New Guinea

 Biology and Chemistry Departments, University of Papua New Guinea

Staff are:

Dr. David Mowbray, Lecturer in Biology

Mr. Aspi Baria, Principal Instrument Technician in Chemistry.

Mr. Mulo Kapush, Research Officer SPREP Coastal Water Quality Program.

Mr. Peter Haei, Research Officer SPREP Coastal Water Quality Program.

These staff together with one assistant have established a small pesticide laboratory and presently are doing pesticide residue monotoring. Present work determination of paraquat residues in water, soil and fish, and organochlorine and organophosphate residues in human blood and tissues, and organochlorine residues in marine bivalves. However more equipment and staff are required if it is to embark on large scale monitoring. Laboratory also does heavy metal analyses in marine animals. Present funding is by the University Research Committee, the Chemistry Department and UNEP and SPREP. See sections 11.5 and 11.6. It is suggested that this laboratory be further supported as proposed in Section C. This laboratory organised the Organochlorine Workshop in June/July 1986.

At present a joint submission is been prepared by the Department of Environment and Conservation and the University of Papua New Guinea to upgrade the 'Pesticide Laboratory'. The proposal will be submitted to the Asian Development Bank, at their request. Unfortunately the submission has been delayed. The University lacks sufficient laboratory space, hence the submission will require the funding of a new building which would substantially add to the cost of the project.

It is estimated that the cost of upgrading facilities through 1987-1989 would be K280,000 and an extra K120,000 for a new building (where K1 = US\$1 ).

 National Analysis Laboratory, and Department of Chemical Technology, PNG University of Technology.

Chief Chemist of NAL is Mr Damien D'Huiller and Head of Chemistry Dept is Prof Ken Gawne.

This laboratory will require a lot more equipment to do pesticide analyses.

This laboratory is involved in SPREP's.
'Coastal and Inland Water Quality
Project'(SPREP, 1986 - Biblio no 592) has not
done any pesticide residue determinations to
date.

3. Department of Primary Industry Laboratory.

This laboratory neither has the equipment, nor the intention to do pesticide analyses in the near future.

A full listing of equipment available for pesticide analytical work and of methods used in these laboratories has not been compiled, but this need to be done.

American Samoa has recently built a federally certified and standardized, fully and well equiped laboratory. It is inteded that pesticide residue analyses be conducted in the laboratory in the near future. However it is not known if this laboratory has a gas chromatograph or a HPLC, or if it has, whether it is federally certified for pesticide residue work.

Western Samoa intends to establish facilities to do thin layer chromatography for detection of residues.

Tonga and CNMI sent participants to the Organochlorine Workshop. They were Mr Semisi Pone from Tonga, and Mr Ignacio Cabrera from CNMI. It is intended that these persons work in co-operation with the laboratories at USP and Guam EPA respectively, and initiate sampling work in their own countries. The problem is that the countries lack the correct chemicals for preparation of the sample materials.

Several countries have indicated that they have had analyses done for them overseas in government laboratories in Australia, New Zealand, France, the Philippines, United Kingdom, Hawaii and mainland U.S.A. One French Polynesian respondant said it was cheaper to get analyses done in France than in French Polynesia.

GTZ (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit / German Agency for Technical Cooperation) has a laboratory in the Philippines which has done some analyses for Tonga and Western Samoa. GTZ was approached to see if it could assist by doing residue work for South Pacific countries. Unfortunately its response was in the negative.

All state governments and the national government in Australia have analytical laboratories capable of doing regular pesticide analyses. Some states have more than one, eg in NSW - both agriculture and health departments have analytical laboratories. Such laboratories include -

- . Divison of Analytical Laboratories, Health Department, Lidcombe. N.S.W.
- . Government Chemical Laboratories, Brisbane. Queensland.
- . State Chemistry Laboratory, Agriculture Department, East Melbourne. Victoria.
- Australian Government Analytical Laboratories different regional laboratories.

Many chemical companies, and CSIRO have their facilities.

The Division of Analytical Laboratories of the NSW Health Department have assisted both Papua New Guinea (to check contents of 'diazinon' formulation which killed a large number of cattle), and Vanuatu (to test the gastric contents of persons who died from parathion poisoning).

In New Zealand a number of laboratories undertake analyses of pesticide residues. Government analyses are done by two DSIR laboratories. Private laboratories within New Zealand which can do pesticide residue analyses include -

- . P.J. Dawson Laboratories, Taradale.
- . Cawthron Institute, Nelson.
- . Water, Soil and Laboratory Services, Napier.
- . T.J. Sprott, Auckland.

At the 14th session of the Asia and Pacific Plant Protection Commission, held in Jakarta in August 1985 (FAO, 1985 - Biblio no 618) facilities for residue analyses were discussed. While some countries felt that the importance of residue analysis was getting over-emphasised, other countries felt that this was a significant emerging problem which had not received adequate attention in respect of trained manpower and facilities for residue analysis and monitoring. The meeting supported a proposal to establish in Thailand a "Regional Pesticide Training Centre and Service Laboratory". This project should be asked to assist South Pacific countries as well. Its aims are the following:

Training of laboratory staff in pesticide residue analysis, in pesticide quality control and in the safe and efficient use of pesticides, including maintenance and repair of laboratory equipment.

- Training in planning, conducting and evaluating controlled field trials under good agricultural practices for the generation of pesticide residue data under local climatic conditions in the Region in order to contribute to the estimation of Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) for the acceptance of Codex MRL's.
- Evaluating and adopting laboratory methods under given local conditions, using local resources and harmonizing such methods for pesticide quality control and residue analysis in the Region.
- Acting as a service and reference laboratory for countries in the Region that are without their own national facilities.
- Acting as a reference centre for all questions of pesticide problems in the Region.

An uptodate register of persons resident in SP countries who are trained to recommend use of pesticides and/or have the expertise to evaluation registration requirements, to do chemical analyses and to assess effects of pesticides needs to be compiled (See Recommendations). It should be completed with the help of the South Pacific Plant Protection Office. The register should include plant pathologists, entomologists, quarantine officers, chemists, biologists, certified pest control operators and pesticide control officers.

# 11.2 RESIDUE STUDIES DONE TO DATE

Refer Questions 5.3 and 6.2 in Table 2.

Much published and unpublished data exists on pesticide residues in Australia and New Zealand. Regular monitoring is done by government laboratories on human blood or fat samples, foodstuffs, water and environmental samples; formulations are also checked. However, very little data is available on the South Pacific. Known studies carried out are listed in Table 47

Country		Study	Laboratory Analysis
American Samoa		Water residues - for paraquat.	?
Guam	1.	Water residues - for organochlorines	Guam EPA
	2.	Wildlife survey (small scale)	Patuxent Wildlife Centre, U.S.A.
	3.	Experimental studies on diazinon and malathion persistance in crops	CALS/UOG
	4.	Water residues - for for unknown pesticides	WERI/UOG
French Polynesia	1.	Residues in crops grown in coral soils	L.E.S.E.
	2.	Residues of water. sediment and animals in lagoons / atolls (including bivalves)	L.E.S.E.
	3.	Residues in vegetables fruit, soil and water	Labs. in Hawaii and France.
Papua New Guinea	1.	Wildlife survey (very small scale) in Purari for organochlorines	Australian Institute of Marine Sciences UPNG
	2.	Human blood residues- wide range of pesticides	UPNG
	3.	Paraquat residues in water, mud and fish.	UPNG
	4.	Residues in marine bivalves (mussels, oysters, clams)	UPNG
	5.	Limited checking of formulations	UPNG

Solomon Islands	1.	Lindane residues in root crops.	TPI, London.
Tonga	1.	Water residues for organochlorines	Ministry of Agriculture, Philippines.
	2.	Vegetable residues for unknown pesticide	Japan ?
CNMI	1.	Water residues for organochlorines	Guam EPA
Western Samoa	1.	Residues in water, foodstuffs, fish and human milk and fat	Ministry of Agriculture Philippines.

Most studies have found low residues in samples, or interpretation of data is inconclusive. Data from Western Samoa gives data where lindane, aldrin, heptachlor, and DDT residues in some food stuffs, and DDT in human fat is above acceptable international residue limits for pesticide residues.

Other studies on pesticide residues in humans have been done in PNG in breast milk, blood and fat. All residue levels found to date have been very low, and include aldrin, DDT, dieldrin, HCB, aHCH, and BHCH, heptachlor. heptachlor expoxide, lindane and oxychlordane. Routine cholinesterase tests are reportedly done in French Polynesia, New Caledonia, Solomon Islands, and sporadically in PNG. Only occassionally have persons been detected with low cholinesterase levels.

No studies have been done to determine the fate of pesticide used in any of the South Pacific countries. Little is known on how active pesticides remain in tropical small island environments.

Publications on residue studies done to date are given in the Bibliography. These include:

French Polynesia Bibliography nos. 87 - 97.

Guam Bibliography nos 139, 145.

Papua New Guinea Bibliography nos 339, 342, 350 and 377

#### 11.3 RESIDUE STUDIES REQUIRED

A well planned program for monitoring residues throughout the South Pacific needs to be implemented. Laboratories at EPA (Guam), USP(Fiji), UPNG, LESE (French Polynesia) and University of Hawaii have all expressed a willingness to participate in such a monitoring program.

Time needs to be spent on interpreting the existing data and writing it up for publication. A well planned program for monitoring residues throughout the Pacific needs to be implemented. Officials from Fiji, Guam, PNG. Solomon Islands, Tonga and Western Samoa all indicated a desire for implementing a monitoring program throughout the South Pacific. This will be further discussed in Section C.

Officials from most countries have all indicated a desire for implementing a monitoring program throughout the South Pacific, to include foodstuffs, human blood, environmental samples, formulations, as well as regular cholinesterase testing. The South Pacific Plant Protection Officer has requested assistance to analyse organochlorine (lindane) and other residues in crop samples in association with experimental trials. As he states, 'the cost elsewhere is

prohibitive'. See Table 48.

The Pesticide Commission in French Polynesia has instituted some baseline studies on pesticide residues in environmental samples and foodstuffs in French Polynesia. The laboratories at EPA in Guam, at USP and UPNG have all being invited to participate in the international 'Mussel Watch Program'. In June and July 1986 a training workshop was held at UPNG for nationals of the South Pacific on organochlorine residue analysis. At present there are very few nationals of the South Pacific trained to do this type of work; one in Guam, one in French Polynesia and five just commencing training at UPNG and USP. Trainees from. CNMI, Fiji. French Polynesia, Papua New Guinea and Tonga (as well as trainees from South East Asia) attended this two week workshop, which was jointly sponsored by SPREP, EAS/COSEA and IOC/WESTPAC. A copy of the Workshop Manual (Mowbray and Baria (ed) 1986 - Biblio no 588) is available at cost, from UPNG.

Table 48 Types of Residue analyses required

	Analysis	Country
1.	cholinesterase tests *	Fiji, Niue, PNG Solomon Islands, Tonga Vanuatu, Western Samoa
2.	residues in human blood	Fiji Niue, PNG, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu, Western Samoa
3.	residues in food stuffs (eg meat and vegetable crops)	Fiji, PNG, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu.
4.	residues in soils (eg lindane)	Solomon Islands
5.	residues in environmental samples	Fiji, French Polynesia, PNG
6.	residues in well water and lagoon water	Tonga
7	residues in crops in association with experimental trials	PNG, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu. FAO-SPC Plant Protection Project
8.	checking formulations	Fiji, PNG

Unfortunately few countries have the required WHO recommended cholinesterase kits (refer Publ. no M 25). ICI (PNG) recently purchased one kit for UPNG, and under the SPREP Pesticide Project a further kit will be purchased by USP (see section 11.6).

# Residues to be analysed for in the above include:

organochlorines	gBHC (lindane), DDT							
organophosphates	diazinon, malathion, trichlorfor							
carbamates	carbaryl carbofuran, methomyl							
herbicides	paraquat							

In late October 1986 a questionnaire was forwarded by the SPC Plant Protection Officer to all key personnel in South Pacific countries concerning pesticides and pesticide residues in food. Mr G.N.Hooper, the Pesticide Coordinator for the Department of Primary Industry in Australia is coordinating this exercise on behalf of the Joint FAO/WHO Codex Alimentarius Commission Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR). At the 18th Session of CCPR held in The Hague in April 1986 the Committee requested that the needs and activities of the countries in the South West Pacific Region be ascertained, such that CCPR may be of assistance to the countries in the region. A copy of the questionnaire is given as Appendix E.

It is hoped that as a result of both this SPREP Report, and of the CODEX questionnaire. practical assistance might be provide to help establish adequate facilities for residue work throughout the region. To date the only 'outside' assistance has been provided by UNEP's Programme Activity Centre for Oceans and Coastal Areas which provides SPREP with the bulk of the funding for the Coastal Water Quality (section 11.5) and Pesticide Projects (section 11.6). Despite assurance of assistance from other UN agencies (UNIDO, UNEP, FAO, WHO and ILO), as promised at a meeting held with SPREP in November 1984 no assistance has been forthcoming.

# 11.4 TOXICITY STUDIES

Toxicity studies accessing acute toxicity of pesticides on non-target organisms (or target species) have been done in Guam at UOG, and can be be done in the Monitoring Laboratory of the Guam EPA. and are done by the author at UPNG, and by Ms Neelam Keshni at INR at USP (pers. com.).

The laboratory at UPNG is also working with the PNG Malarial Control section by doing toxicity tests on mosquito larvae (Aedes, Anopheles and Culex), freshwater shrimps (Caridina), mosquitofish (Gambusia) and guppies (Poecilia). Larvicides used are Abate (temephos) and Actellic (pirimiphos methyl). Presently data from tests done by officers of the Health Department on the determination of adulticides (eg DDT) on Anopheles species are being reanalysed, by the author, using a program adopted and modified from Mowbray (1978). Unfortunately much of the raw data for accurate determinations of the LD50 of DDT on mosquitoes, collected over many years in PNG, was either lost in a fire in 1981, or was destroyed or lost when the malarial control headquarters moved building in 1985.

Tests to determine both the acute and chronic toxicity of copper (and other heavy metals) and cyanide have been run using shrimps, mosquitofish, guppies and tilapia (Oreochromis) at UPNG as part of an environmental impact study of the effects of mine tailings on a PNG river sytem (Mowbray, 1986)

Such studies involving animals and pesticides are given in table 49.

Table 49

# Animals and Pesticides used in Toxicity Studies in Fiji, Guam and PNG.

Test Organisims	Pesticide
tropical hermit crab	carbaryl, chlordane. diazinon, dicofol, malathion
mosquitofish, guppy tilapia, freshwater shrimp	copper sulphate, sodium cyanide, paraquat, pirimiphos- methyl, temephos
mosquito larvae and adults	pirimiphos-methyl, temephos, DDT, bromophos,lindane
cockroaches	dieldrin, propoxur malathion, diazinon
tilapia	BPMC, carbaryl, MIPC (isoprocarb)
	mosquitofish, guppy tilapia, freshwater shrimp  mosquito larvae and adults  cockroaches

The Guam work is written up by Wortman (1976 - Biblio no 144), and studies in PNG with copper sulphate by Balat (1982), Lam (1984) and Mowbray (1986). The other studies are presently being written up by Mowbray (on paraquat - Bibliography no 341; and on larvicides / adulticides Bibliography no 371). The studies done by Keshni are for a MSc. degree.

# 11.5 PROPOSED STUDIES I. SPREP COASTAL WATER QUALITY STUDIES.

The following residue monitoring programme, funded by SPREP and UNEP's Regional Seas Programme (now called Programme Activity Centre for Oceans and Coastal Areas) was approved at the Third Consultative Meeting of Research and Training Institutions in the South Pacific Region in Guam in June 1986 (SPREP, 1986 - Biblio no 592). Previous work done on this project was summarised by Kapush et al (1986, Biblio no 339).

COASTAL WATER MONITORING AT SELECTED SITES IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

(original proposal prepared by David Mowbray and Aspi Baria)

# 11.5.1 BACKGROUND

A marine pollution monitoring programme is instigated either to provide baseline water quality data, or the selected site is expected to suffer environmental changes due to commercial activities in the surrounding area, because of its geographical situation.

The use of certain bivalves as sentinel organisms to monitor chemical pollutants in coastal areas has been well documented (Mussel Watch programme). We propose to use this principle to monitor heavy metal and/or organochlorine residues in coastal water at four selected sites. The first study area is the Port Moresby harbour area; the SPREP supported study of this area has been initiated and is expected to continue. The second location is the Fly River delta which is possibly contaminated by tailings released from the giant Ok Tedi copper/gold mine since mid-1984. The third location will be the Empress Augusta Bay area near the Jaba River delta which has received tailings from the Bougainville Copper mine for the last 15 years. The fourth location is the Morobe Coast adjacent to Lae at the mouth of the Markham River, which receives run off, most probably containing organochlorines, from agricultural land and areas sprayed for vector control.

#### 11.5.2 OBJECTIVES

- a) Short term objectives:
  - to continue generating baseline data on the heavy metal and organochlorine residues in bivalves in Port Moresby harbour and adjacent lagoons.
  - to do an initial study of the Fly River delta and the Empress Augusta Bay areas.
  - to make an initial study of the Morobe coast.

# b) Long term objectives:

- to monitor on a continous basis residues in the Port Moresby harbour and the adjacent lagoons and to extend the monitoring programme to other selected coastal areas of Papua New Guinea affected by land based sources of chemical pollution, particularly from mining, vector control and agricultural spraying.
- to continue training nationals with the necessary skills,
   to preserve the continuity of the monitoring programme.
- to carry out a more comprehensive monitoring at the Fly River delta, Empress Augusta Bay area and Morobe coastline, if the initial studies warrant it.

# 11.5.3 WORKPLAN AND TIMETABLE

- Months 1 6: Order, install and commission the Atomic Absorption Spectrometer. Selection of appropriate bivalve as indicator species and sampling sites. Re-evaluation of existing methods.
- Months 7 12: Begin sampling programme. Confirm methodology and its reproducibility.
- Months 13 24: Continue sampling programme every three months.

  Take part in interlaboratory calibration exercise to verify our results.

# 11.5.4 METHODOLOGY

UNEP's Reference Methods for Marine Pollution Studies will be used as far as possible for the determination of the levels of chemical pollutants. Where necessary, modifications will be made to suit local analytical conditions. A variety of biological indicator species will be examined for the presence of organochlorine residues and heavy metals.

#### 11.5.5 OUTPUTS

- a) An interim report summarising the levels of heavy metals and organochlorine residues in bivalves from the study areas (at the end of twelve months).
- b) Comprehensive report including an assessment of the main sources of chemical pollutants in the study areas and recommendations to mitigate the effects caused by that pollution (at the end of twenty four months.)

# 11.5.6 INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

- a) Principal Investigators:
  Dr David Mowbray and Mr Aspi Baria, Science Faculty,
  University of Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby, Papua New
  Guinea.
- b) Lead Institution: Science Faculty, University of Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea.

# 11.5.7 BUDGET (IN US\$)

(a) SPREP contribution:

DI NOI CONCELL		1986	1987	1988
Training		-	8000	8000
Equipment		40000	6000	5000
Materials		-	4000	3000
Travel		-	2000	3000
Computing		2-0	-	500
Reporting		-	-	500
	Sub-total	40000	20000	20000

(b) Estimated contribution from institutions in kind and services:

	1986	1987	1988	
	9000	48000	52000	
N				

(c) Total cost

49000	68000	72000

# 11.6 PROPOSED STUDIES II SPREP OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS FROM THE USE OF PESTICIDES

The following study programme to be funded by SPREP and UNEP's Regional Seas Programme was approved at the Third Consultative Meeting of Research and Training Institutions in the South Pacific Region in Guam in June 1986 (SPREP 1986 - Biblio no 592). Previous attempts to obtain funding were unsuccessful.

# 11.6.1 BACKGROUND

A study initiated at the First Consultative Meeting of Research and Training Intitutions in the South Pacific (Suva, 18-20 April 1983) reviewed the use of pesticides in the SPREP region. The study revealed that very little control is exercised over the use of pesticides in the SPREP region. The study revealed that very little control is exercised over the use of pesticides and that their environmental and health effects are barely known. The study also indicated the urgent need to monitor the levels of pesticides in human tissues, agricultural products and environmental samples. (Refer SPREP (1983, Biblio no 590).

Consequent to this, a proposal to establish a monitoring program was submitted by Mowbray in his draft report (Mowbray, 1984 -Biblio no 625) to the Second Consultative Meeting of Research and Training Institutions at the University of PNG in January 1984 (SPREP, 1984 - Biblio no 591). Unfortunately although pesticide monitoring program' was approved in principle, funds were guaranteed, and infact ever obtained. However some of what was proposed to be done at UPNG was done using funds approved by UPNG's University Research Committee. Funds were also received for the Coastal Water Quality Project (section 11.5 and refer Kapush et al, 1986 - Biblio no 339) and for Organochlorine Workshop ( see section 9.5). Such funds enabled us to purchase two gas chromatographs, glassware and consumables, and to employ a research assistant. ICI (PNG) donated a portable mini-spectrophotometer for cholinesterase tests. These studies are presently being prepared for publication (Baria et al, in prep. - Biblio no 350).

#### 11.6.2 OBJECTIVES

Monitoring of the pesticide situation in the region should be based on the extension of the existing activities in several institutions of the SPREP regions:

University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG), Port Moresby,
 Papua New Guinea. In 1981 UPNG established a pesticides

project to study paraquat residues in environmental samples. In 1982 this was extended to include organochlorines, organophosphates and cholinesterase levels in huma blood. In 1983 equipment was purchased to allow analysis of other plant and animal tissues. The recently acquired gas chromatographs (Varian and Hewlett Packard) and the Organochlorine Workshop have improved the capability of UPNG to respond to the urgent need for more extensive monitoring. The workshop has also enhanced the capability of regional agencies to participate in this program.

- University of the South Pacific (USP), Suva, Fiji. With the acquisition of an electron capture detector with SPREP support and two staff members trained at the Organochlorine workshop, the INR laboratory is now equipped to participate in the monitoring programme.
- Guam Environment Protection Agency (GEPA), Agana, Guam. At GEPA analyses of organochlorines in water are regularly carried out. The work could be expanded to monitor organochlorines in biota. One of the staff attended the Organochlorine Workshop.
- Laboratoire d'Etudes et de Surveillance de l'Environnement (LESE) , Mahina, Tahiti, French Polynesia. LESE is presently the most active laboratory engaged in the region in residue studies, and has been regularly involved in monitoring over the last few years. One of its staff attended the Organochlorine Workshop.

#### 11.6.3 WORKPLAN AND TIMETABLE

Having acquired the equipment and participated in an intercalibration exercise, the plan for the co-ordinated regular regional monitoring programme will be finalised between participating institutions during early 1987 (once funding has come through) and the project will commence immediately.

The sampling and analytical techniques will be harmonized and intercalibrated, and the strategy of the regional monitoring programme will be agreed upon. Specific workplans of participating institutions are as follows (modified):

#### (a) UPNG:

 completion of current blood analyses, and continued evaluation of methods for analysing organochlorines in indicator species and in food crops, and for analysing selected organophosphates and herbicides (June 1987)

- continued participation in intercalibration exercises.
- further training of one staff at LESE [ partial funding by French Government] (early 1987)
- commencement of regular monitoring programme (July 1987)

#### (b) USP:

- ordering of cosumables (January 1987)
- recruitment of support staff (January 1987)
- testing / learning techniques and commissioning equipment (June 1987)
- continued participation in intercalibration exercises.
- commencement of regular monitoring programme.
   (July 1987).

#### (c) Guam EPA:

- ordering of equipment and materials as required (January 1987)
- continued participation in intercalibration exercises.
- commencement of monitoring programme.

# (d) LESE:

- ordering of materials as required (January 1987)
- continued participation in intercalibration exercises.

### 11.6.4 METHODOLOGY

The cholinesterase tests will be based on procedures recommended by WHO (WHO, 1984 - Publ. no M25). The methods recommended for the analysis of organochlorine and organophosphate residues and herbicides in blood, tissues and urine (FAO, USEPA, NSW Health Department) and modifications of methods learnt at Organochlorine Workshop will be evaluated and the mode suitable method selected for the regular monitoring programme.

The methodology used in the project will be harmonized and intercalibrated among the participants in the project. The

# following analyses will be carried out:

- UPNG: organochlorines, selected organophosphates and herbicides (e.g. paraguat) in blood: or urine, cholinesterase tests; organochlorines in biological indicators; [ modified to include also residues in crops (associated with experimental trials), foods and checking formulations];
- USP: organochlorines in blood: cholinesterase tests: organochlorines in biological indicators;
- GEPA: organochlorines in drinking water, possibly foodstuffs and biological indicators;
- LESE: continuation of studies of pesticide residues in groundwaters, lagoon waters and biological indicators, and in vegetables; if thought appropriate also organochlorines in blood and cholinesterase tests.

# 11.6.5 OUTPUTS

- (a) Interim report on the preparatory phase of the project, including the results of methodological calibrations and the proposed co-ordinated regional regular monitoring programme. (June 1987 and December 1987).
- (b) Facilities at each institution participating in the project for checking the health of occupationally exposed persons and for quick analyses in cases of poisoning and contamination [and checking formulations as required] (December 1987).
- (c) The production of an interim report on the progress of the project (December 1987).
- (d) Comprehensive report on the results obtained through the project, including a detailed analysis of the use, as well as of the health and environmental effects of pesticides in the SPREP region. (December 1988).

#### 11.6.6 INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

- (a) Principal investigator: Dr. David Mowbray. University of Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea.
- (b) Lead institutions: Science Faculty, University of Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea.

# (c) Collaborating institutions:

- Institute of Natural Resources, University of the South Pacific, Suva, Fiji
- Guam Environment Protection Agency, Agana, Guam
- Laboratoire d'Etudes et de Surveillance de l'Environnement, Mahina. Tahiti, French Polynesia.

# 11.6.7 BUDGET

As approved in June 1986 , in US\$ :

# (a) SPREP contribution:

	1	1986		1987	2	1988
Training	3	500	20	000	20	000
Equipment	2	500		0		0
Material	24	000		0	4	000
Travel		0	2	000	2	000
Reporting cost		0		0	1	000
Sub-total*	30	000	22	000	27	000

(b) Estimated contribution from institutions in kind and services:

	services:	1986	1987	1988
		30 000	50 000	50 000
(c)	Total Cost	1986	1987	1988
		60 000	72 000	77 000

\* The institutional breakdown of the funds for this project is:

1986	UPNG		USP		GEPA		1	LESE	TOTAL	
Training	1	500	2	000		0		0	3	500
Equipment		0		0	2	500		0	2	500
Materials	6	000	6	000	6	000	6	000	24	000
Travel		0		0	(3.5)	0		0		0
Reporting Costs		0		0		0		0		0
Webersang easts										
						Sub-t	ota	1	30	000

1987										
	Ţ	UPNG		USP		GEPA	1	LESE	TO	TAL
Training	12	000	8	000		0		0	20	000
Equipment		0		0		0		0		0
Materials		0		0		0		0		0
Travel		500		500		500		500	2	000
Reporting Costs		0		0		0		0		0
						Sub-t	ota	1	22	000
1988										
	1	UPNG		USP		GEPA .	1	LESE	TO	TAL
Training	12	000	8	000	4	0		0	20	000
Equipment		0		0		0		0		0
Materials	1	000	1	000	1	000	1	000	4	000
Travel		500		500		500		500	2	000
Reporting cost		250		250		250		250	1	000
						Sub -	to	tal	27	000

# 11.6 SUMMARY

Existing facilities and expertise in the region is limited for residue and toxicity studies. Moreover, the cost of running a residue laboratory is prohibitive for nearly all countries.

Little work has been done to date; generally only low concentrations of residues have deen detected. Many governments state there is a need for residue work, especially in association with experimental trials.

The four existing facilities at UPNG (PNG), INR/USP (Fiji), Guam EPA and LESE (French Polynesia) need upgrading, especially more funds. The Organochlorine Workshop provided some training, but much more extensive training of national staff in the region is required. There needs to be more co-operation/co-ordination between these laboratories. Assistance from laboratories overseas would be appreciated, eg in Australia or GTZ in Germany.

At present SPREP (with UNEP assistance) is funding two projects within the region involving pesticide residues. Recommendations on improving residue facilities for the region are further discussed in Part C.

# CHAPTER 12 PESTICIDE LEGISLATION AND REGISTRATION

# 12.1 INTRODUCTION.

It is recognized universely that if any control is to be implemented to ensure safe and efficient use of pesticides in a country then a legislative framework including a registration system must be established. Furthermore machinery and infrastructure to enforce the legislation must be workable. In countries of the South Pacific there is a general lack of technical expertise available, and such infrastructure for enforcement is often not available. Hence legislation must be simple and controls should be mainly concentrated on importation, and to a lesser degree on sale. Any pesticides for which safe use can not be guaranteed should be thoroughly scrutinised before their importation is permitted. FAO (1985 — Publ. no A4) review the alternatives and suggest guidelines for the implementation of a system of registration and controls on pesticides.

# 12.2 LEGISLATION IN SOUTH PACIFIC COUNTRIES

Refer Question 4.8 in Table 2.

Table 49 lists relevent legislation covering aspects of pesticide use in South Pacific countries. Legislation specifically on pesticide control or major legislation regulating pesticides is marked with an \*. A list of major Australian and New Zealand legislation is also included for information and comparison.

Table 50 List of Pesticide related Legislation in South Pacific countries and territories

- American Samoa \* 1. U.S.Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act.
  - \* 2. Code of Federal Regulations (40 CRF).
  - \* 3. American Samoa Pesticide Act 1979.
  - \* 4. American Samoa Pesticide Regulations (pending EPA approval).
- Commonwealth 1. Commonwealth Environmental Protection Act. of Northern \* 2. CNMI Pesticide Regulations, 1983.
- Mariana Islands \*3. U.S.Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and
  - 4. CNMI Drinking Water Regulations, 1982.
  - CNMI Hazardous Waste Management Regulations, 1984 (draft).

# Cook Islands

1. Conservation Act, 1975

# Fiji

- \* 1. Pesticide Act, 1971, 1976 (Chapter 157, 1978) and Pesticide Regulations 1971, 1972.
  - 2. Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Chapter 115)

# French Polynesia 1.

- Deliberation no 74-86, 3 July 1974, modified by deliberation no 76-6, 9 July 1976, made applicable by arrete no 4540 AA, 6 August 1976.
- \* 2. Arrete no 1701, 2 September 1980
  - 3. Decision no 1702, 2 September, 1980
  - Arrete no 1350/ER, 26 March 1981
  - 5. Decision no 1351/ER, 26 March 1981
  - 6. Decision no 156/ER, 3 February 1982
  - 7. Arrete no 1175/ER, 3 December 1982.

#### Guam

- \* 1. Public Law 10-142, The Uniform Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, Titles LXI and LXII.
- \* 2. Executive Order 75-29.
- \* 3. Guam Pesticides Act, 1977
- \* 4. U.S. Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, 1972.

# New Caledonia \* 1.

- Deliberation no 183, 17 September 1969 (contains rules for sale and use of poisonous substances.)
- 2. Arrete no 72-017 / CG, 13 January 1972
- Arrete no 77-364 / CG, 2 September 1977
- 4. Arrete no 82-578-583 / CG 9, November 1982
- \* 5. Arrete no 86-040, 5 February 1986 (contain new regulations to control sale and use of agricultural pesticides)

# Papua New Guinea

- \* 1. Environmental Contaminants Act 1978
- \* 2. Pesticide Regulations 1986
- \* 3. Pesticide Guidelines 1986
  - 4. Environmental Planning Act 1978
  - 5. Public Health Act.
- \* 6. The Poisons and Dangerous Substances Act 1952.
  - The Industrial Safety, Health & Welfare Act 1961
  - 8. Water Resources Act 1982
  - 9. Quarantine Act Chapter 234.
  - 10. Customs Act Chapter 234

Upto present control has been implemented through (5) since (1) had no regulations covering pesticides. Regulations (2) and Guidelines (3) on Pesticides under (1) have now been drafted, and should be gazetted in late 1986. Proceedures on registration have also being drafted.

#### Solomon Islands \*1. The Safety at Work Act, (Pesticide) Regulations 1982.

- 2. The Pharmacy and Poisons Act (1964) controls import of arsenicals
- 3. Agricultural Quarantine Act (198?)

# Tonga

\* 1. The Pesticides Act, 1975, ammended 23 September 1981.

# T.T.P.I.

- \* 1. TTPI Pesticide Regulations, Title 63, Chapter 13, 1980.
- \* 2. U.S. Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act.

# Western Samoa

- \* 1. The Poisons Act, 1968, and Poisons Regulations 1969.
  - 2. Agriculture, Forests and Fisheries Ordinance 1959 (?)
  - 3. Forests Act 1967 (?)

# Australia

(principal legislation only):

# Queensland

\* 1. Agricultural Standards Act 1952 1972

# New South Wales

- \* 1. Pesticides Act 1978
  - 2. The Poisons Act 1966

- Victoria \* 1. Agricultural Chemicals Act 1958 (formerly Pesticides Act 1958)
  - The Poisons Act 1962. 2.
  - 3. The Household Insecticides Regulations

#### South Australia

Agricultural Chemicals Act 1955.

# Western Australia

- \* 1. Health Act 1911 - 1979 (includes Pesticide Regulations)
  - 2. Poisons Act 1964 - 78

#### Tasmania \* 1.

- Pesticides Act 1968.
  - 2. Poisons Act 1971 73
  - 3. Environmental Protection Act 1973.

#### New Zealand

- \* 1. Pesticide Act 1979
  - 2. Pesticides Regulations 1983
  - 3. Pesticides (Vertebrate Pest Control) Regulations 1983
  - 4. Pesticides (Organochlorine) Notice 1983.
  - 5. Toxic Substances Act 1979
  - Toxic Substances Regulations 1983 6.
  - 7. Noxious Substances Act 1954.
- \* 8. Agricultural Chemicals Distribution Control Act 1966-1978, Provisions 8-79-3.

Nine countries have legislation specifically on pesticides. Two more control sale of pesticide under a 'Poisons' Act. PNG is about to gazette legislation, and two others hope to introduce legislation in the near future. The situation in the South Pacific can be summarised as follows:

Table 51 Summary of Pesticide Legislation Situation in South Pacific

	Country
Own pesticide legislation	Fiji,
	Solomon Islands,
	Tonga
About to introduce own pesticide	Papua New Guinea
legislation (with NZ assistance)	
Thinking about introducing own pesticide	Cook Islands
legislation in near future (with NZ	Vanuatu
assistance).	
Own pesticide legislation,	French Polynesia,
but also under French laws	New Caledonia
Own pesticide legislation,	American Samoa, CNMI,
but also number US FIFRA	Guam, TTPI (Federated
out also number of links	States of Micronesia,
	Marshall Islands,
	Palau)
No pesticide legislation, but	PNG, Western Samoa
partial control under 'Poisons	The wild make the second of th
Act.	
No pesticide legislation, but	Cook Islands, Niue
follow New Zealand regulations	
No pesticide legislation	Kiribati, Tokelau,
	Tuvalu, Pitcairn
	Island, Vanuatu
Unknown situation	Nauru, Wallis et
	Futuna

A thorough review of pesticide legislation for all countries needs to be done with the aim of recommending harmonization of legislative requirements. What follows in this and the following chapter is an attempt to review aspects of pesticide legislation and regulations in the light of the situation in countries of the region. Information was obtained from the responses to the questionnaire, from legislation and from personal communication and observation. Reference is also made to FAO, WHO, Australian and New Zealand documents which should assist individual countries improve their legislation and regulations.

In recent years in some of the countries, new legislation has been created or existing legislation has been improved to control registration, importation, sale and use of pesticides (and formulation). However in almost all countries it is generally recognised that the machinery for enforcement of these rules and regulations must be strengthened, and a workable infrastructure established to make control effective.

# 12.3 REGISTRATION OF PESTICIDES.

Refer Question 1.1 of Table 2.

Fiji, Solomons and now PNG have designated Registrars.

Fiji, French Polynesia, Solomons and Tuvalu keep a register of pesticides permitted into the country. PNG is presently compiling their register.

Fiji, French Polynesia, PNG and Solomons have a Pesticide Advisory Committee or 'Working Party'.

Solomons has a Pesticides Registration Advisory Committee, defined by law.

Tonga, by law is supposed to have a Registrar and a register of pesticides, but the law is presently not implemented.

American Samoa, CNMI, Guam and TTPI only permit into their countries pesticides registered by U.S. EPA under FIFRA, although Guam and TTPI may register some pesticides for local use. All pesticides used in US-affiliated countries/territories must be registered with the USEPA. However officials of the local EPA's and local departments of agriculture can unofficially decide which pesticides to prohibit from their islands due to either environmental or health reasons.

Cook Islands, Niue and Pitcairn Island only permit into their countries pesticides registered in New Zealand.

French Polynesia and New Caledonia are assisted by L'Association de Coordination Technique Agricole in Paris which publishes lists of pesticide products and summarises French legislation.

Information required by law for registration varies between countries which have laws as given in Table 2 , all information

taken from responses to Question 1.2. A comparison of information required by law in Fiji, PNG and Solomon Islands and Tonga is given in Table 52.

Table 52 Information on Pesticides required by law for registration in Fiji, Papua New Guinea<sup>a</sup>, Solomon Islands and Tonga.

Information Required						
		Fiji	PNG		lomon lands	Tonga
1.	trade name	*	*		*	*
2.	common name	*	*	ISO	*	*
3.	nature of pesticide	*	*		*	*
4.	formulation	*	*		*	*
<ol> <li>6.</li> </ol>	use, including efficacy data, information re application, with holding period chemical/physical	*	*		*	*
0.	properties	*	(*)		*	*
7.	analytical methods	*	(*)		*	*
8.	residue information	*	(*)			*
9.	toxicological data	*	(*)		*	*
10.	use precautions	*	*			*
11.	environmental effects	*	(*)			
12.	packaging information	*	*			*
13.	copy of draft label	*	*		*	*
14.	name and address of					
	manufacturer	*	*		*	*
15.	name and address of					-
	proprietor/importer	*	*		*	*
16.	evidence of registration				.A.	
	elsewhere	*	*		*	*

a. In PNG, under the new regulations about to be gazetted, most aerosols do not have to be registered. Applicants will not have to submit detailed information in most instances if their products are already registered in Australia and New Zealand. If the product is not registered in either country or another country with acceptable registration proceedures then detailed information on all listed as (\*) will be required.

One real problem all countries within the region face is to evaluate data provided for registration. The region lacks persons with expertise to evaluate chemicals, though some countries rely on information provided by Australia and New Zealand (eg Papua New Guinea, Tonga, Cook Islands...), or by USA (countries associated with the USA). Information and assistance is also available from UNEP's IRPTC based in Geneva. As mentioned in section 8.3 at present only three countries within the region have national correspondants and receive the IRPTC Bulletin. These are Papua New Guinea (Department of Environment and Conservation), Tonga (Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry), and Western Samoa (Health Department). Other countries should be encouraged to nominate national correspondents to IRPTC, and so receive regular updated information on the changed status of many pesticides. In Part C.3 it is proposed that a 'Pesticide Advisory Scheme for Pacific Island countries be established. This should assist to lessen the burden of each country attempting to evaluate/reevaluate each pesticide.

# 12.4 SUMMARY

For a country to control the major aspects of importation, sale and distribution, and to ensure safe and efficient use, it must have effective legislation which is enforceable; and it must have a system of registration. Half the countries and territories of the South Pacific have laws to control pesticides; half do not! Information required by law for registration and labelling vary between the countries. Countries face difficulties in evaluating data submitted for registration, and face problems in enforcing their legislation. These problems are further discussed in Chapter 13.

#### CHAPTER 13 CONTROL OF PESTICIDES

# 13.1 IMPORTATION, SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF PESTICIDES

Refer to Question 4.1 in Table 2.

This is controlled by legislation in the nine countries with their own legislation; PNG (very soon) and Cook Islands and Vanuatu(in the forseeable future) are about to introduce legislation (Table 50). Some countries classify pesticides either for general use or restricted use, as under EPA. The latter are only sold to and used by certified applicators who must keep detailed records. In these cases sale can be only through certified outlets, eg in Guam and American Samoa. New Caledonia and the Solomon Islands restrict the use of some chemicals; hopefully this will also be done in PNG. In PNG upto now and in Western Samoa some pesticides (but not all) are partially controlled under Poisons regulations. Unfortunately few of the countries in the South Pacific can adequately enforce their legislation.

Kiribati, Pitcairn Island, Tokelau and Tuvalu all report that pesticides are only used by government officers. Tokelau reports that pesticides are not for sale.

In PNG upto the present, the importation, sale and distribution of pesticides has been regulated according to which schedule the pesticide or pesticide formulation is classed under in the 'Poisons Act', but most pesticides have not been listed in the schedules. Also specific pesticides might have particular requirements, eg paraquat can only be sold if it contains an emetic and a stenchant, and can only be sold in the original containers. Paraquat can presently still be imported without these additives, as long as it is not sold.

Under the new pesticide regulations (about to be gazetted) pesticides and pesticide formulations are classified according to the 'WHO Recommended Classification of Pesticides by Hazard'. Importation, sale and distribution of pesticides will be regulated according to this internationally accepted series of schedules; eg: some pesticides may only be sold through specified outlets. Such persons selling these pesticides must keep an inventory of all sales; sales must be to holders of permits allowed to handle such pesticides. Other pesticides under another less hazardous schedule may be sold by food vendors or in stores, although the pesticides must be kept separate from food-stuffs. Furthermore pesticides can only be sold in containers which have the approved label.

Countries with legislation forbid sale of pesticides in other than original containers although in some cases the legislation is ambiguous, eg Tonga: if the new containers were adequately labelled it might be legal to sell pesticides in other than the original containers. In Fiji, French Polynesia and Solomon Islands special permission must be given for such 're-bottling'. In PNG most pesticides can only be sold in their original containes, however special permits will be issued to enable sale of pesticides in new containers, but these must also contain an approved label.

Countries which report that pesticides are or have been sold in secondary containers were New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Vanuatu and Western Samoa. Usually they are sold in old drink containers.

As part of a study instigated by the Tropical Development and Research Institute, a survey was carried out on re-use of pesticide containers or their disposal in PNG. This is given in Appendix D. It was found that pesticides containers are used by some in quite unacceptable ways (to carry water, storage of food, animal feed, plant seeds), and were not deposed of correctly. Users must be educated not to use old pesticide containers!

# 13.2 LABELLING

Refer to Question 4.2 in Table 2.

A thorough review of labelling requirements in the countries with legislation is required with the aims of harmonizing requirements; and consideration of the introduction of a South Pacific label, language requirements considered. Table 52 shows a comparison between some of the information required on labels in American Samoa, Cook Islands, Guam, New Caledonia, PNG, Solomon Islands and Tonga. PNG and the Solomon Islands accept Australian and New Zealand approved labels, but label must be submitted at time of registration. In PNG a 'PNG approved' label will be required if specified by the Working Party.

The 15 items of informations are recommended to be included on the label by FAO (1985 - Publ. no D3)

Table 53 Information on labels required by law in American Samon,
Cook Islands, Fiji, Guam, New Caledonia, PNG, Solomon
Islands and Tonga.

	Country								
		American Samoa	Islands		Guam	New Caledonia	PNG	Solomon Islands	Tonga
1.	trade name					1 4			
2.	common name & % a.i.								- 1
3.	net vol/wt								-
4.	use category				-	200		(30)	-
5.	direction for use		*						
6.	warning & precautionary							1.00	
	statements		*						
7.	Withholding periods		*	*					
8.	directions in case of								
	poisoning, first aid							*	
9.	'Poison' label/Graphics								
5070	or Color Coding								
10.	Instructions re disposal								
	of containers	*	*	*					
11.	Language requirement								
	(parts only)								
			М	E/H/F		FR	E(TP/MO)	Ε	E/T
12.	Citation that is			0.75.0.77		0.750	TANK THE	-	-50
	registered and								
	registration no.			*	*				
13.	Classification state								
	(general, restricted)								
14.	Name and address of								
	manufacturer.			*	*			*	
15.	Name and address of								
	importer.								

E = English; F = Fiji; FR = French; H = Hindustani; M=Cook Island Maori; Mo = Motu; T = Tongan; TP = Tok pisin

Laws on labelling are not always enforced, especially re language requirements, and may need modification.

In American Samoa many farmers who wish to use pesticides are not fluent in English. Labels are printed in English, but it is intended that labels be translated into Samoan, Korean and Chinese. However EPA regulations prohibit the altering of pesticide labels, even to the extent of translating the label into the local language. New Zealand chemical companies, however, manufacture pesticides with local language labels. But these pesticides are not registered with the USEPA and, therefore are unavailable to the territory's farmers (Vargo, 1986 - Biblio no 550). Vargo suggests that legislation be formulated to modify this EPA regulation so that local language labels, either on approved US - manufactured pesticides or foreign manufactured pesticides which meet local EPA approval, be made available to US - Affiliated Pacific Island farmers. Vargo also states that EPA specifies that a pesticide may only be used against certain pests on certain crops listed on its labels. This list often neglects pests and crops found in the tropics, so, she states, a Special Local Needs Label must be obtained. The requirements to obtain this label require extensive research and residue analysis, and the cost in time may be prohibitively high given the limited size of staff and facilities on the islands. These studies, however, may have been performed by and for neighbouring nations. Vargo recommends that research results from these other studies be applicable for obtaining a Special Local Needs Label.

In Fiji, I observed both agricultural and household aerosol pesticides being sold in containers with labels only in English and not in Hindustani or Fijian. Pesticides sold in aerosol packer for domestic use do not require any vernacular language translations.

In French Polynesia, regulations require sellers to use labels in French and Tahitian stating the name, conditions of use and precautions. However, since many products come from USA, New Zealand and Australia, this is not complied with.

In New Caledonia, regulations require use of words POISON and DANGEROUS, and also labels in French. Many products are imported from Australia and New Zealand and these labels are not translated into French. Generally upto when the new regulations were introduced this year, the laws on labelling have been ignored. Under the new regulations labelling in French is mandatory.

In Papua New Guinea, upto date regulations under the 'Poisons Act' should have been complied with. There has not been requirements to translate labels, although a few companies produce labels in Tok Pisin. Under the new regulations Australian and New Zealand approved labels will be acceptable, as will most for USA and UK; and these generally contain all the information listed as required in Table 52. However the Working Party may require a PNG label, which may or may not require parts in Tok Pisin or Motu.

The law in the Solomon Islands requires all labelling in English.

It does not require labels to be in Solomon Islands Pidgin as it is not as yet a written language with an accepted format, grammar or spelling (Meafarlane, pers. comm). I observed one pesticide being sold with a label only in Japanese language.

In Tonga, I was told that most manufacturers will not produce labels in Tongan since it is uneconomical for them to do do. However a few do.

In Vanuatu most labels are in English despite the fact that many people do not understand it. They speak either French and/or Bislama.

In Western Samoa, the Poisons regulations specifies that every label must be in both English and Samoan. Yet only 3 of 65 different pesticides marketed in 1981 were in both languages. Manufacturers do not feel it is profitable to produce dual language lables. I observed one pesticide labelled only in Japanese language.

# 13.3 STORAGE

Refer to Questions 4.3 in Table 2.

Haines (1985 - Biblio No 77) estimated that less than 0.2% of all pesticides manufactured for agricultural purposes in industrialised countries is wasted before use. However in developing countries as much as 10% of agricultural pesticide may be wasted before application. principally due to poor storage and transport facilities. Haines summarises a survey conducted by TDRI which included Fiji. He lists commonly found undesirable criteria in the siting, design and construction of pesticide stores, in storage systems and storage management practices, and in safety and training.

As for sale, countries with legislation prohibit storage other than original containers, unless special approval is given. Kiribati also prohibits storage in secondary containers. countries specify that storage must be separate from foodstuffs, and must be checked for leaks and breaks. Only three countries stated storage room conditions (cool, dry concrete floor; American Samoa, Kiribati, Western Samoa). In three countries I observed containers on shop shelves which were leaking or broken (Fiji, Tonga, PNG); some contained toxic pesticides eg paraquat. In PNG I have observed many badly rusted containers. I also observed large '44 gallon' drums containing toxic pesticides which had either been badly dented or even broken open after rough handling on wharves. One government department allowed a massive quantity of timber treatment chemical to stand in the open in rusty drums exposed to the weather for over 5 years ( See section 7.2). In October 1986 a spillage of paraquat occurred in a storage shed in a highlands town in PNG. The paraquat leaked over cartons containing beer. Fearing that the beer would be confiscated the owner quickly sold the beer. In this instance as long

as the bottles were washed no problem hopefully would arise; but if the same occurred to foodstuff a major problem could arise. In New Caledonia I observed old partially rusted drums (containing parathion and malathion being used as door-stops. Storage facilities in both private and Government stores varied. The few I observed varied from excellent to very poor.

In New Caledonia I observed copper sulphate being sold in an unlabelled plastic bag, and dieldrin, chlordane and Camellia (arsenic based herbicide) being sold in whisky bottles.

No countries mentioned type and size of packaging. However, in PNG some pesticides can only be sold in specific types of containers of specific sizes. International shipping and air transport regulations also specify types of packaging/ vessels. The only mention of 'standards' was by the Standards Officer in PNG.

In PNG 1983 a large fire destroyed a bond store containing large amounts of agricultural chemicals. Specific precautions and fighting equipment are required in such instances.

# 13.4 TRANSPORTATION

Refer to Question 44 in Table 2.

In most countries special regulations on transportation do not exist, though all would have to conform to international airline and shipping regulations. American Samoa, Guam and TTPI controls are according to US transport regulations. Some countries mention that pesticides are forbidden to be transported with foods and this is general practice.

One instance was reported to me in PNG when food had to be destroyed after it was contaminated by leakage from paraquat carried in the same cargo on a large truck.

# 13.5 DISPOSAL OF PESTICIDES

Refer to Question 4.5 in Table 2

Only French Polynesia and Guam stated that disposal of pesticides is regulated by law. Golob and Egan (1983 - Biblio no 586) report that pesticides are shipped from Guam to an approved EPA disposal site in California. American Samoa often ships old, expired and unwanted pesticides back to the US mainland for burial at an EPA approved landfill. Fiji has re-exported unused pesticide back to Australia and Canada. Some countries require instructions for disposal on labels (see Table 52). Tonga returned a large amount of DDT given to it as aid by NZ, since it is banned in Tonga. Most countries dispose of pesticides by burning, burying or disposing in diluted from. Western Samoa mentioned it was about to build a 'pesticide disposal site'.

After severe spills by pesticides into Yap Harbour the TTEPB removed much DDT from various Trust Territory atolls, in order to minimise the stockpilling of pesticides in the Trust Territory.

Some countries stated that since they use very little pesticide or because of rapid turnover, they have had no problems to date. (Kiribati, New Caledonia respectively.)

In PNG, in the past, an apparently 'not uncommon' solution to the disposal of unused DDT after mosquito spraying was to leave it behind in a village shed such that villages could use it as they wished. Villages are known to have used it to 'spray around latrines' and for putting in creeks 'to catch fish'.

In PNG the Health Department recently requested information on how to dispose of the large quantities of the CCA timber treatment chemicals left out in the rusty drums (referred to above). The solution here was simply 'to use it' at nearby treatment plants. Often the solution is not so simple.

Vanuatu had left-over stocks of unwanted pesticides from before Independence. Some of these were not able to be identified easily . eg 'oleoparaphene' (parathion). In PNG I have observed many "old stocks' that no one knows how to dispose of.

Reports of old pesticide containers being used, as eg as water containers, and such are common in PNG (See Appendix D). I observed old pesticide containers being used as markers (bags) in Tonga.

Vanuatu and Wallis et Futuna have requested information and advice on how to disposed of old stocks of pesticides. Articles which give advice on the disposal of pesticides are Munnecke (1979) and the articles listed in section I in chapter 14.

It is suggested that combined effort be made for all countries to list their old stock and organize a combined collection and shipping to an EPA disposal site in California.

#### 13.6 PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

Refer to Question 4.6 in Table 2.

Legislation in Ameican Samoa, Guam, French Polynesia and TTPI require use of protective clothing when using specific pesticides. In Fiji, New Caledonia, PNG, Solomon, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Western Samoa protective clothing is used by some workers and is highly recommended. Officials in Kiribati, Pitcairn Island and Tokelau knew of no-one wearing protective clothing. Officials in all countries I visited as well as French Polynesia reported that people do not wear all the necessary clothing because of the heat. Sometimes protective clothing is not worn, because it is not available, eg in American Samoa.

It is generally recommended that when using hazardous pesticides one should use gloves, footwear, clothing, hats, goggles and respiratory protection which should all meet national or international standards. No country reported that they use 'Standards'. I would presume that most equipment from Australia and New Zealand meet their standards, but this needs to be checked, especially due to the different climatic conditions.

It seems there is no adequate protective clothing presently available which is suitable for hot humid tropical conditions. In one instance reported in the Solomons, a researcher from the Centre for International Pesticide Research tested the latest light-weight protective clothing, but within 45 minutes his body temperature rose by 3:0°C. Protective clothing, if incorrectly worn, can in fact provide a greater hazard to the user; for example, if the inside of gloves become saturated with pesticide or if a respirator is inadequately cleaned or becomes contaminated. In these instances the users would be better off regularly washing their hands and by covering their mouth and nose with clean cloth. Generally hazardous pesticides should not be used if appropriate protective clothing can not be correctly worn.

# 13.7 HEALTH CHECKS

Refer to Question 4.7 in Table 2.

Residue analyses of blood of workers who use organochlorines and organophosphates have only been done in PNG. No one has been found to contain abnormally high residues. The results of this study have yet to be published (Baria et al - Biblio no 350).

Three countries reported that cholinesterase tests are regularly and routinely done on workers exposed occupationally to the more toxic organophosphates; in French Polynesia, New Caledonia and Solomon Islands. Only occassionally have persons been detected with low cholinesterase levels.

At UPNG, we have recently commenced a program where we do cholinesterase tests on persons occupationally exposed to organophosphates. To date most worker tested had normal cholinesterase levels; only four out of 168 agricultural, health and pest control workers had lower than normal levels (and none were dangerously low). Some pest control operators in PNG have regular medical check ups.

Tonga reported that persons occupationally exposed have regular check ups.

Western Samoa is establishing a 'Poisons Centre'.

I would recommend that SPC ensure that at least one major hospital in all South Pacific countries be provided with a WHO cholinesterase spectrophotometer kit (WHO, 1984 - Publ. no M25. Larger countries (Fiji and PNG) should have them in the main regional hospitals, in

areas where organophosphates and carbamates are widely used. This will enable regular cholinesterase tests to be done (pre- and post-pesticide use).

In all countries where paraquat is widely used 'treatment kits' (provided by ICI) must be readily available. ICI has infact distributed these kits extensively in some countries including Fiji, PNG and Western Samoa.

Poisons Centres should also be established in each country to provide ready access to information and recommended treatment.

# 13.8 SOME PROBLEMS FACED IN ENFORCING LEGISLATION.

Some of the problems South Pacific countries face in producing legislation, then enforcing it, are mirrored by 5 examples:

- a. Tonga has legislation and appropriate regulations. However for several reasons it cannot implement its law. These include the following:
  - . The Technical Advisory Committee set up to register pesticides was not able to function.
  - Registration procedures are very time consuming and require expertise. Tonga lacks the expertise. The few persons with that expertise have limited time and have other priorities.
  - Chemical Companies stated that they would not be able to comply with labelling requirements that parts of the label be in Tongan. It would be uneconomical to do so for all but the main pesticidies, and they would have to withdraw their products.

b. In Papua New Guinea the main Act which upto now covered pesticides pesticides is The Poisons and Dangerous Substances Act, 1952 and Despite a the regulations and schedules thereunder. ammendments (eg, re paraquat in 1980), this Act is both inadequate and outdated in its control on pesticides. In 1978 the Government enacted the Environmental Contaminants Act (ECA), 1978. Pesticide regulations under this Act were drafted in 1981 and circulated. The person responsible left at the end of his contract. never gazetted. A Pesticide Bill was initially drafted in 1976, The ECA is the but subsequently dropped in favour of the ECA. responsibility of 'Environment' department. The Pesticide Bill was the responsibility of the 'Agricultural' department. There has in the past been disagreement between departments on whom should be responsible. However, both the ECA 'pesticide regulations', as proposed in 1981, and the old Pesticide Bill were inadequate. The Pesticide Bill was too complicated. In 1985 and 1986 new pesticide regulations have been drawn up with the assistance of the Pesticide Registrar from New Zealand and his staff. regulations will be administered under the ECA. In late 1985 a Chemicals Officer was appointed to co-ordinate registration of pesticides and to ensure the enforcement of the new regulations which will be gazetted in late 1986. Registration will commence immediately and enforcement will commence in late 1987.

The present 'Poisons Act' has not been properly enforced. Some pesticides are sold in a manner contravening the existing regulations. The existing 'Poisons Act' will be rewritten and updated probably in 1987-88, and maintain some control on the sale of pesticides.

It has taken nine years of effort to finally establish pesticide legislation in PNG.

c. Solomon Islands has legislation and regulations and a registration process. By December 1983 only agricultural chemicals used by large companies were registered. Household and 'small' packet pesticides were not registered. Most retailers were 'unaware' that the pesticides they were selling should have been registered by January 1st 1984, or they were not prepared to pay for cost of registration themselves. By 12 March 1985, 133 products were registered with 91 active ingredients. By 28 September 1986, 174 products were registered with 89 active ingredients. Of these 36 formulations were restricted and 13 had conditions on sale.

Authorities state that they find it difficult to cope with the administration of pesticide regulations, and in policing the regulations; and the Solomons is a small country with only one major port of entry. They lack also the expertise to evaluate the information required for registration.

d Fiji has legislation and regulations and a registration process.

The Registrar of Pesticide believes that he is adequately staffed to implement pesticide registration and enforce the regulations. Other persons within Fiji believe that given more staff, the legislation could be better enforced. Two examples are given:

There is lack of staff to implement all aspects of the legislation; eg labelling requirements are not always enforced in that not all products sold in stores have labels in Hindustani and Fijian affixed to the containers.

In an article in 'The Fiji Times' on August 2, 1984, the Director of Agriculture was reported to have admitted that 1080 (sodium monofluoroacetate) had been used for 6 years to kill sewer rats. It was used by a Suva Pesticide company together with the Suva City Council personnel, despite the fact that it was not registered as a pesticide in Fiji.

A further problem faced in Fiji, is one which could well be encountered in other South Pacific countries in the future; that of political pressure. The Fiji government had, after first refusing to do so, granted a licence to a local company to import and market a Taiwanese paraquat formulation. This formulation did not have the required emetic agent. This probably come about after political pressure was exerted to allow registration.

e. Guam is a small country. It has an 'active' University agricultural extension service (CALS) and Guam EPA pesticide regulations. 561 persons were certified following pesticide training courses.

Pesticide laws are enforced, because (1) Guam is small. (2) assistance is provide by the University staff, and (3) staff are employed specifically to enforce the legislation. In most other countries, (most ofwhich are much layer than Guam), the staff responsible for pesticide regulations and registration do it only 'part-time'.

Co-ordinating pesticide registration and enforcing the legislation is a 'full time job'. The larger countries must allocate permanent staff full time responsible for this job alone!

#### 13.9 SUMMARY

(1) South Pacific countries have limited expertise to evaluate information necessary for the implementation of pesticide registration requirements.

Countries in association with USA (TTPI and American Samoa ) or territories of the USA (Guam), and countries which are territories of France, (French Polynesia, New Caledonia) may have that expertise, or may have ready access to it or may rely on authorities in the USA or France to provide that expertise. But most other countries do not, although they are often assisted by Australia or New Zealand. To evaluate compounds for registration South Pacific countries will have to rely upon overseas information. A technical advisory committee set up by SPC could assist. (See Part C.3). Most 'experts' within South Pacific countries are non-nationals on short-term contracts, and if they leave, there is often no one to take their place. If there is, that person often lacks the experience, and is often likely to change jobs quickly.

(2) South Pacific countries lack the funds, facilities. manpower and infrastructure/ machinery to enforce their legislation and registration requirements, Guam excepted.

This situation will remain unless governments change their priorities.

- (3) Countries without laws and/or regulations need 'experts' to assist in writing enforceable legislation and/or regulations. Recently New Zealand has assisted PNG prepare regulations, and is presently assisting/about to assist Cook Islands and Vanuatu.
- (4) The South Pacific countries should be considering harmonization of pesticide legislation and pesticide registration requirements for the region.
- (5) Most countries will probably have to rely on expatriate contract workers to provide expertise for the next few years, but training of locals will need to be regarded as a top priority.
- (6) Many users of pesticides are illiterate and little educated, who may not understand English. Many of these people can and do use what in many other countries are classed as 'restricted-use' pesticides which require the user to be certified before they can use it. Such compounds should not be registered when/where safe use can not be guaranteed.
- (7) In countries where toxic pesticides are needed, more emphasis needs to be put on training and certification of applicators, though this would add an extra administrative load.

Education and training of users, particularly at village level should also be extended. Such programmes of users exist eg in American Samoa, Cook Islands, Guam and PNG. In some cases they are inadequate. They need to reach more people.

- (8) Countries need to ensure that all labels can be produced in local languages and convince manufacturers and distributors that it is in their interests to do so, irrespective of cost.
- (9) Much concerning the safe use of pesticides, what pesticides are used, what restrictions apply still depend upon the goodwill of distributors. At times some South Pacific countries have got supplied with low quality, ill-labelled products, some of which in their concentrated form are very toxic, and are not used safely. Companies operating in the region should be asked to adhere to the FAO 'Code of Conduct' (FAO, 1986 - Publ. no O2).
- (10) Until all countries have their own legislation and can enforce it, government officials and chemical companies have a special responsibility. They must work together to ensure that every effort is made so pesticides are handled only in accordance with safe and recognised practice, as is expected in countries with strong and enforced legislation.

# CHAPTER 14 INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS ON PESTICIDE LEGISLATION AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

#### 14.1 INTRODUCTION

Over the last few years many useful publications have been produced by international organisations. These organisations include:

UNITED NATIONS AGENCIES -

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANISATION (FAO)

WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION (WHO)

UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME/ INTERNATIONAL REGISTER FOR POTENTIALLY TOXIC CHEMICALS (UNEP/IRPTC))

REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS -

COUNCIL OF EUROPE

INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS -

GROUPEMENT INTERNATIONAL DES ASSOCIATIONS NATIONALES DE FABRICANTS DE PRODUITS AGROCHIMIQUES (GIFAP)

INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION OF CONSUMER UNIONS (IOCU), PESTICIDE ACTION NETWORK.

GOVERNMENTS -

AUSTRALIA, DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRY - PESTICIDE SECTION

PUBLISHERS -

THOMSON PUBLICATIONS, Fresno California, USA.

This list is not exclusive. However their publications feature prominently in the listing in 14.2.

Important series of publications regularly produced by UN agencies on 63esticides, but which are not included in 14.2 include:

(a) WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION AND FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANISATION

Data Sheets on Pesticides. VBC/DS Series.

Includes technical information on pesticides. giving common name, synonyms, selected properties, toxicology, recommendations on regulation, information on prevention of poisoning, medical information and analytical methods.

Available from WHO, Geneva or FAO, Rome

#### INTRODCUTION - continuing

- (b) FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANISATION Specifications for Plant Protection Products Includes technical information providing description of chemical, naming active ingredient and impurities and giving FAO specification code Available from FAO, Rome.
- (c) IRPTC Bulletins
  Published twice or thrice per year.
  Available from IRPTC/UNEP, Geneva.
- (d) IRPTC
  Data Profile
  Lists properties, including environmental information and toxicity data, analytical methods, treatment of poisoning and disposal methods.
  Available from IRPTC/UNEP, Geneva.
- (e) IPCS
  Environmental Health Criteria.
  Includes small/not so small books/monographs either on specific pesticides, or on toxicological methods.
  Published jointly by UNEP, ILO and WHO
  Available from WHO, Geneva.

#### 14.2 LISTING OF PUBLICATIONS

The following is a list of publications produced by or for U.N. agencies or other national government agencies or other international organisations. These publications should assist governments in drawing up and implementing their own pesticide legislation and registration schemes, and help to ensure more safe and efficient use of pesticides. Some publications outline further some of the problems of pesticide use in developing countries.

### A. REGISTRATION SCHEMES AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1 COUNCIL OF EUROPE. 1981 Pesticides. 5th Edition
- PROOF AND AGRICULTURE CRGANISATION 1982
  Report of the Second Government Consultation on international harmonization of pesticide registration requirements.

  Rome, FAO.

# REGISTRATION SCHEMES AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS - continuing

- FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANISATION 1983
  Working papers and report of the Regional Consultation on Harmonization of Pesticide Registration Requirements for Regional Network for Promotion, Marketing and Control of Pesticides in Asia and Far East, organised by UNIDO in co-operation with FAO and Pesticide and Fertilizer Authority of Philippines
  Manila, Philippines.
- FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANISATION 1985
   Guidelines for the Registration and Control of Pesticides.
   FAO Rome-March 1985. M/R5021/E/7.85/1/1000.
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  Draft FAO Guidelines and Model Scheme for the establishment of national organisations for the registration and control of pesticides.
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   A phased registration scheme for pesticides.
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  A summary of the main aspects of the Pesticide Registration Schemes in member countries of the Regional Network for Production, Marketing and Control of Pesticide in Asia and the Far East (RENPAF), prepared for the Regional Conference. Baguio. Philippines.

# REGISTRATION SCHEMES AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS - continuing

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Network for Production, Marketing and Control
of Pesticides in Asia and the Far East (RENPAF),
Baguio, Philippines.

# B. REQUIREMENTS ON PHYSICAL/CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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### C. REQUIREMENTS ON EFFICACY DATA

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  Food and Agriculture Organisation guidelines on
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  'Group on Registration Requirements' of the FAO Panel
  of Experts on Pesticide Specifications Registration
  Requirements and Application Standards based on an
  original draft by A. Besemer for FAO Plant Protection
  Service.
- FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANISATION 1985
   Guidelines on Efficacy Data for the Registration of Pesticides for Plant Protection. FAO Rome-March 1985 M/R5024/E/7.85/1/1000.

#### D. REQUIREMENTS ON LABELLING

- AUSTRALIA. DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRY 1980 Code of Practice on labelling for agricultural and veterinary chemicals.
   Canberra, Pesticide Section, Document No. PB 375.
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   Guidelines on Good Labelling Practice for Pesticides.
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### E. REQUIREMENTS FOR PACKAGING, STORING AND TRANSPORT

- 1. FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANISATION 1982
  Food and Agriculture Organisation guidelines for the packaging and storage of pesticides, paper prepared by 'Group on Registration Requirements' of FAO Panel of Experts on Pesticide Specifications, Registration Requirements and Application Standards
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   Report and guidelines for the packaging and storage of pesticides, prepared for the Food and Agriculture Organisation, Plant Protection Division.
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#### CHAPTER 15 SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Many pesticides are used in the South Pacific. Most countries lack the manpower and technical expertise and infrastructure to advise on the efficient use of pesticides and to enforce effective regulations to control use and abuse of pesticides. Records kept on what pesticides are used are incomplete. Some pesticides used are those banned or restricted elsewhere, or classified by WHO as extremely or highly hazardous. Poisonings of humans, domestic animals and wildlife have been reported and many further reports are unconfirmed. There may be cases not reported. Residue studies are all 'too small scale'. Very little is known anywhere on the fate of pesticides in small island ecosystems.

What is needed is a regional approach to create:

#### 1. Regional Information Centre able to:

- a) Collate and compile data on pesticides used in the region, and to create a 'register' for the South Pacific.
- b) Provide a library service and maintain a bibliography of articles on pesticide use and associated problems in the region.
- c) Provide individual countries and territories with technical information as required.
- d) Conduct/assist with training and educational program on the safe and efficient use of pesticides within the region.

#### 2 Regional Pesticide Advisory Committee to:

- a) Provide a 'collective expertise' using persons from within the region.
- b) Recommend to regional countries and territories what pesticides should be registered or used, for which crops etc...This would constitute a Regional Pesticide Advisory Scheme
- c) Establish guidelines for harmonisation of pesticide registration requirements, and for suggesting other forms of controlling pesticide use in the region, possibly including standardisation of labelling.

### 3. Regional Pesticide Residue Laboratory Network to:

Do small scale monitoring of pesticide residues. Studies would involve water supplies, agricultural products, environmental samples (including 'Mussel Watch'), human tissues, checking formulations. Ensure better co-ordination between existing laboratories.

These proposals are oulined in greater detail in Part C .

The problem is that the region lacks the manpower and funds to effectively establish any of the three above. Most countries are poor countries with 'more pressing development priorities'. Most countries will depend for amany years to come on exptriates to provide the necessary technical expertise. Very few suitably qualified nationals are available for training in these technical areas.

Both the South Pacific Commission Plant Protection Office and SPREP support the establishment of all three. UNIDO, UNEP, FAO, WHO and ILO all agreed at an interagency meeting held 21-22 November, 1984 on the South Pacific Regional Environment Programme that the 'Pesticide Project' and the recommendations are very important, and worth supporting. These UN and other international agencies have been approached for financial support and technical assistance. Except for limited support from UNEP's Regional Seas Programme and the IOC (Intergovernment Oceanographic Commission), no support has yet been forthcoming. We are continuing to seek support for our proposals.

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  - B: Plant disease (fungi) control
  - C: Weed control
  - D: Other animal pest control (rats, etc)
  - E: Quarantine
- Environmental aspects of pesticide use (i,e.: effects on non-target organisms, plus residues, excluding effects on humans);
- Legal aspects of pesticide use;
- Public health which covers effects of pesticides on human health (including poisonings and residues) and the use of pesticides for vector control;
- Recommendations/advice on handling and usage of pesticides [safety booklets etc.].

Information was obtained from the following sources:

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- Responses to questionaires forwarded in July, 1983, responses to the draft report circulated in February and March, 1984 and responses to questionnaire on quarantine forwarded in December, 1985.

- By personal communication from individuals in PNG and from those countries visited.
- Searches were made in indices for appropriate journals published in the region.

Many countries produce small booklets, brochures, pamphlets, roneoed notes, technical bulletins and advisory leaflets on recommended pesticides and safe use of pesticides. Unfortunately, many of these publications are unavailable outside the country of origin. Small numbers of such publications, however, are held in the following libraries: USP, UOG, UPNG and SPC and in the Plant Protection Office of SPC in Fiji. Some of these publications are listed in the bibliography.

A number of countries have produced substantive publications with recommendations for pest control, as has the South Pacific Commission. These are included in the national listings below, and may have brief annotations.

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> Agricultural Standards Section, State Chemistry Laboratory. Division of Agricultural Chemistry, 5 MacArthur Street, PO Box 4041 GPO Melbourne, 3001 VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA.

Further microfiches are available on pesticide recommendations on fruit crops, vegetable crops, field crops (including stored commodities), pasture and pasture seed crops, home garden products, ornimental and horticultural products, animal treatments (for external use on pets and livestock), turf, weed control in industrial, forestry, non-agricultural and aquatic situations.

'Uses of pesticides in Australia' are updated editions of:

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The Registrar
(attention Mr Jim Caley
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Queensland Agricultural College,
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PART C PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A PESTICIDE INFORMATION, ADVISORY AND MONITORING NETWORK FOR THE SOUTH PACIFIC REGION.

## INTRODUCTION

As is clearly shown in the report (Part A), a multitude of pesticides are available for use in the South Pacific region (Chapter 3), including use in agriculture and public health and in quarantine (Chapter 6) and forestry and timber preservation (Chapter 7). Incomplete records are kept on what is actually used. What is known is given in Chapter 4. Many of the pesticides used are banned or severely restricted somewhere else in the world; many are amongst those classified by WHO as extremely and highly hazardous despite the fact that many of the users are uneducated and untrained in the use of such toxic chemicals (Chapter 8). Many companies both outside and within countries actively promote increased use of pesticides (Chapter 5).

Many poisonings have been reported in three countries of the region, although many of the cases are deliberate and not accidental poisoning (Chapter 10). Most persons responsible for regulating pesticide use in their countries lack sufficient readily accessible information on the properties of pesticides. Yet it is available. (Chapters 9 and 14). Indeed much information is available from within the region (Part B - Bibliography). Such information needs to be brought to a central information centre where it can be readily disseminated as already suggested to SPREP by Harrow (1981 - Biblio no 597). Few, if any, records are kept on problems caused in each country by pesticides (poisoning of humans, fish, wildlife) (Chapter 10). Very little work has been done to determine residues in human tissues, foodstuffs and environmental samples. Very little is known anywhere on the fate of pesticides in tropical environments. (Chapters 10 and 11).

Furthermore the expertise to evaluate effects of pesticides used in the area of human health and on the environment is severely limited. Some expertise does exist in this area but it is scattered (Chapter 9). It should be 'harnessed' to serve the needs of the region.

At present three laboratories in the region (in French Polynesia, Guam, PNG) are doing or have done pesticide analyses. One other laboratory (at USP in Fiji) wishes to commence doing pesticide analyses. Of the first three laboratories, two (in Guam and PNG) are presently only capable of doing small numbers of analyses. The third, in French Polynesia, can do analyses on a large scale. (Chapter 11). The four laboratories would all be prepared to participate/cooperate together in serving the needs of the region given adequate funds and personnel.

At present few countries in the region have effective legislation (Chapter 12). Due to scarcity of technical expertise, and the lack of any infrastructure to enforce regulations those that do have problems in implementing their regulations to control pesticides and so ensure safe use (Chapter 13).

# I propose the establishment of the following.

- (1) Regional Pesticide Information Centre (PIC)
- (2) Regional Pesticide Advisory Committee (PAC), which would administer a Regional Pesticide Advisory Scheme (PAS)
- (3) Regional Pesticide Laboratory Network (PLAN)

All three would comprise a regional 'Pesticide Information and Advisory and Monitoring Network'. Funding should be sought from UN and other international agencies.

# 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL PESTICIDE INFORMATION CENTRE (PIC)

PIC could be based at UPNG, but it would work together with the South Pacific Plant Protection Officer in Fiji, or it could be established either with the SPREP office in Noumea or the SPC Plant Protection Office in Suva.

PIC would employ initially one fulltime staff to do the following:

- (1) Collate information and data on the following:
  - (a) Compile a computer listing of all pesticides (a.i.) used, recommended for use or registered in the region, by country.
  - (b) Compile a computer listing of all formulations used, etc. in the region, by country.
  - (c) Compile a computer listing of all formulations used, etc. in the region, by crop use, and with special note of those recommended.
  - (d) Compile a computer listing of all formulations used, etc. in the region, by target organism with special note of those recommended.
  - (e) Compile a computer listing of all formulation used, etc. in the region, by importer, distributer, manufacturer and country of origin.
  - (f) Compile a computer listing of all pesticides banned, suspended or restricted in USA, EEC, Australia and New Zealand, with decails.
  - (g) Compile a computer listing of all poisonings of

human/wildlife by pesticides imported into countries in the region.

- (h) Compile, where possible, a listing of amounts of pesticides imported into countries in the region, and by manufacture/supplier.
- Compile a register on computer of 'pesticide experts' in the region, and their areas of expertise.
- (j) Compilation of data on pesticides and the environment for the region.
- (2) Collect a library of information on pesticides, including properties, data profiles and registration requirements of pesticides. Establish a collection of reference manuals, microfiche and books on all aspects of pesticide use; and a collection of company brochures, data sheets etc.. Other information is to be collected from United Nations and regional and 'overseas' sources, especially USEPA, EEC, IRPTC, RENPAF, FAO, WHO, IRPTC, Pesticide Section of Australian Government, Pesticide Board of New Zealand Government. Such a central collection of information could provide a quick 'query-response' service on pesticides for South Pacific countries.
- (3) Compile a complete bibliography of articles on environment and health aspects of pesticide use in the region. Compile a bibliography on pesticide use in public health in the region. Assist the SPC Plant Protection Officer to update the current bibliography on Plant Protection in the region.
- (4) Assist individual countries to produce small brochures and pamphlets on safe use of pesticides to be locally distributed in local languages as has been done in Guam.
- (5) Regularly provide 'Pesticide Registrars' with updated information on pesticides.

Re (5): persons in South Pacific countries indicated a desire for copies of information on aspects of pesticide legislation and registration requirements. This material is now available but needs to be printed or obtained from UN, and then distributed. This can be done as soon as possible, providing sufficient funds are provided.

# Financial Implications

Cost of printing and distribution of information

Costing need to be done, once project is approved but on estimate would be per annum at minimum US\$ 30,000.

# 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF A REGIONAL PESTICIDE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC) AND A REGIONAL PESTICIDE ADVISORY SCHEME. (PAS)

PAC should be established as soon as possible. It should meet to make recommendations to regional countries on what pesticides should be recommended for registration/use, and to recommend appropriate restrictions on use. The committee should include persons from plant protection, public health, environment departments, UN agencies, SPC, FAO and universities in the region with expertise in evaluating efficacy, toxicity and environmental aspects of pesticide use. Members should be restricted to persons residing in the region and who are actively involved in pesticide use. Observers and resource persons could be invited from industry and from either the New Zealand Pesticide Board or Australian Pesticide Branch. This committee should also establish guidelines for harmonisation of pesticide registration requirements in the region, and for suggesting other forms of controlling pesticide use in the region.

Robert MacFarlane, the SPC Plant Protection Officer ( and formerly the officer mainly responsible for implementing the registration system in the Solomon Islands has suggested that a 'Regional Approval Scheme for Pacific Island nations' be established (pers. com.) . The mechanism for implementation of such a scheme would be as follows: Companies would submit details of registration elsewhere, and data and labels on any pesticide which they wished to market in the region to the Pesticide Advisory Committee. This committee would then review the product and issue an approval certificate for those pesticides and uses it thought suitable for the region. Countries could then import those products with comparative safety. The scheme would be voluntary with countries having the right to determine what they wished to import. Hopefully 'approved products' would be imported preferentially. If a country needed to import a non-aaproved product for a particular use the committee would advise on how to do that safely.

# Financial Implications

Costing of travel to annual meeting in Noumea or Suva, estimated to be per annum (for 10 persons) US\$ 15,000.

# 4. COOPERATION BETWEEN PESTICIDE LABORATORIES.

OR

Establishment of Regional Relationship between Laboratories - a Regional Pesticide Laboratory Network. (PLAN).

PLAN involves the upgrading of facilities and provision of extra personelle in the four laboratories in the region as follows: Guam EPA - Micronesia

UPNG - Melanesia (excluding Fiji and New Caledonia)

USP - Polynesia and Fiji (ecl. French Polynesia)

LESE - French Polynesia and New Caledonia

Laboratories must be equipped to do small scale monitoring of residues of organochlorines, organophosphates and carbamates and other selected pesticides.

All laboratories will be equipped to do any of the following as the need arises, within limits:

- (a) Monitoring/spot checks of water supplies.
- (b) Monitoring/spot checks of human blood residues.
- (c) Monitoring/spot checks of agricultural products-animal (meat, fish, eggs milk), plant (local and imported foodstuffs including vegetables), and soils.
- (d) Do residue analyses of crop plants used in experimental trials
- (e) Monitoring river and marine bivalves and other 'indicator' species, in conjunction with the 'Mussel Watch' program.
- (f) Monitoring wildlife species in conjunction with appropriate research studies.
- (g) Selected toxicity tests.
- (h) Checking purity of pesticides/checking formulations.

The laboratories will need to be funded and staffed so program can be commenced by 1987, or as soon as possible thereafter, and be initially for two years until 1988 - 89.

It is essential that the laboratories collaborate and cooperate. Each government must be responsible for the training of the staff. Laboratories must be free to choose their own priorities, and work plans. Laboratories however should be encouraged to respond positively to request from governments given their limited facilities.

One person within the region should be designated PLAN co-ordinator. This persons is responsible to ensure:

(1) Sharing of information between laboratories

(2) Standardization of methods between laboratories and quality control (interlaboratory comparison / intercalibration exercises).

One proposal for funding by SPREP on upgrading laboratory

facilities, and for commencing some monitoring in the region is given in section 11.6 - 'Occupational and environmental hazards from use of pesticides'.

The above recommendations, though in a slightly different form. were put to the Fourth Regional Technical Meeting on Plant Protection in Noumea in February 1984 and received the meeting's support. It is time now to implement them!

# FUNDING FOR CONTINUATION OF PESTICIDE PROJECT

### 5.1 BACKGROUND

The background to this report was given in the introduction (Chapter 1).

Implementation of the final recommendations of the 'pesticide report' is the responsibility of SPC and SPREP. Especially if a Pesticide Information Centre can not be established immediately, then funding for continuation of this project is critical, since

# three jobs need to be done/continued. They are:

- (a) Update this revised report. Country focal points should be requested to give an update of the present situation, and to make comments on the report. A new list of only those pesticides registered or actually used in each country for 1986-1987 should be included. A list of pesticides banned or restricted for use in other countries should be included with the reasons for such banning or restriction given.
- (b) Write a 'condensed edition' of the report which can be easily understood by non-technical persons, politicians, planners etc. in South Pacific. It would be an enlarged and updated version of the Ambio paper.
- (c) Update the bibliography. Bibliographies regularly become out dated. Many small articles, particularly xeroxed/roneoed editions are easily over looked. An attempt should be made be ensure all relevant material is included. Also, important key references should be annotated.

### 5.2 OBJECTIVES

To produce by December 1988 an updated and revised report, a 'condensed report' and an updated bibiography as listed (a) to (c) in 5.1.

### 5 3 WORKPLAN AND TIMETABLE.

First 6 months:

Printing by SPREP of this revised report. Distribution of report to all SPC countries and territories with attached request for revisions, addenda etc.

Second 6 months:

Update, revision of report, and extension of

bibliography using information received. List of current pesticides and banned/

restricted pesticides compiled.

Third 6 months:

Write draft 'third edition' of report, and

condensed edition. Continue with

bibliography.

Fourth 6 months:

Complete 'camera-ready' copy of 'third edition', 'condensed edition' and 'updated

bibliography'.

#### 5.4 METHODOLOGY

It is envisaged that travel will be necessary. The principle investigator will need to travel to Noumea to the Fifth Regional Technical Committee on Plant Protection in March-April 1987, and may be required to travel to Noumea or Fiji once more if the Pesticide Advisory Committee/Scheme is established. He will also probably be required to attend one other UNIDO/RENPAF consultation, probably in Manila over the two year period. It is envisaged that minimal travel will be required throughout the Collation of all information will be correspondance with 'focal points' in each country listed in Table 1, and with SPC Plant Protection Officer, and SPC Library.

#### 5.5 OUTPUTS

As listed in (a), (b), and (c), given in 5.1

#### INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS 5.6

(a) Principal Investigator:

Dr David Mowbray. Science Faculty, University of Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea.

(b) Lead Institution:

Science Faculty, University of Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea.

# 5.7 BUDGET

The following funds are being sought for this project. At present no funds have been forthcoming. The University of Papua New Guinea would contribute service equivalent to in excess of US\$ 2000 per year by allowing Dr Mowbray time to maintain this project.

# Funds required are:

		1987	1988
Salaries:	Part time employment of South Pacific national to learn word processing and data storage skills, to compile a South Pacific register to assist Dr Mowbray in the above and in general correspondance.	1500	1500
Equipment:	Chemical manuals and microfiche,		
(technical information)	ISO, UN and other relevant publications for South Pacific	850	500
Travel:	Attendance at regional conferences	1200	2500
Computing	UPNG Prime Computer	500	500
Reporting anda Printing Costs	Paper, letterhead, envelopes, printing.	450	500
	subtotal	4500	5500
	Total Cost of Project		10000

### APPENDIX A

# PESTICIDE QUESTIONNAIRE

(forwarded to South Pacific countries and territories initially on 12 July 1983)

The South Pacific Regional Environmental Program has initiated a "Pesticides Project" with the following general objectives:

- The review existing information on pesticides' use and abuse within the region and on the level of residues within environmental samples;
- b) To identify laboratories in the region with facilities for doing analyses of particular pesticide residues, to list equipment available and to list approporiate methods.
- c) To identify personel in the region with expertise and experience for monitoring pesticide residues, and for evaluating environmental effects of pesticide use.
- d) To identify the existing legislation on importation, sale, storage, use and disposal and its enforcement within the region.
- e) To present a detailed proposal for monitoring of pesticides in environmental samples within the region.

UPNG Science Faculty has been requested to conduct this work. I have been asked by my Faculty to be the principal investigator.

In order to do (a) to (e) above I seek your assistance.

Could you please answer the following questions or supply the appropriate information, or give me the names of organisations and/or people who can assist me?

In the boxes I have included sample answers and information, to give an idea of what is required.

- 1. Registration of Pesticides
- 1.1 Do you have a Registrar of Pesticides, or Pesticides Advisory Committee and do you keep a register of pesticides allowed to be used in your country?

# 1. Registration of Pesticides (cont'd)

Eg. In Solomon Islands there is a specific person who is Registrar of Pesticides, a Pesticides Registration Advisory Committee and a register of all pesticides allowed to be used in the Solomons.

It is proposed to implement similar procedures in PNG.

- 1.2 When pesticides are considered for registration (or simply for use) does the importer/manufacturer have to provide information including such as ISO common name, chemical name, physical/chemical properties of pesticide and/or pesticide formulation, analytical methods for determining residues of active ingredient, toxicological data, and evience of registration elsewhere for example in Australia, New Zealand, U.S.A., U.K. or Fiji.
- 2. List of Pesticides Used and Distributors
- 2.1 Attached is an alphabetical list of common names of many pesticides. Could you please tick all those pesticides used or recommended for use or registered for use in your country. Indicate in the appropriate column whether they are used or recommended for use on a small scale/on a large scale. Add at the end any pesticide used or imported for use in your country which is not included on the list.
- 2.2 Could you provide me with a list of names and addresses of companies that import and distribute pesticides in your country, or do Government Departments import directly?

E.g.: in PNG some of the main importers of pesticides for agriculture inlcude ICI, Farmset, Harrison and Crossfield, and Shell Chemicals. Vector Control and Malarial Control (of the Department of Public Health) often purchase their supplies directly from overseas.

- 3. Recommendations For Pesticide Use
- 3.1 Could you forward any booklet, brochure, pamphlet produced in your country which lists recommendations for use of pesticides?

E.g.: in PNG, the DPI has just published a booklet entitled: Thistleton, B.M. (ED); 1983: Recommendations for the Control of Pests, 1982-83

- 3.2 Alternatively do any of your departments advise following the recommendations of UN agencies or those of other countries e.g. U.S.A., N.Z., Australia or France?
  - E.g.: in PNG, The Urban Vector Mosquito Control Unit uses WHO guidelines in conjunction with the manufacturer's recommendations for mosquito control. in PNG, in the past use has been made by DPI of the following publications:

\* Australia Department of Primary Industry, 1979: Uses of Insecticides in Australia 1979. Australian Government Printing Service.

- \* Australia Department of Primary Industry, 1982: Withholding periods, maximum residue limits and poisons schedules for agricultural and veterinary chemicals. 1982 Document PB431, 4th edition.
- 3.3 Could you state who makes recommendations for large scale use of pesticides - agricultural or health extension officers entomologist, plant pathologist, pest control operator, chemical company representative?

E.g.: in PNG recommendations are made by DPI scientific staff in conjunction with industry.

- 3. Recommendations for Pesticide Use (cont'd)
- 3.4 Could you forward a listing of any publications on safe use of pesticides published in your country?

E.g.: in PNG, the DPI has recently published a booklet entitled: Sutherland, J. 1983: The Safe and Efficient Use of Pesticides. DPI Rural Development Series Handbook No. 18.

# 4. Controls on Pesticides

# 4.1 Importation, Sale and Distribution of Pesticides

Are the importation, sale and distribution of pesticides controlled in any manner? Are Pesticides allowed to be sold in containers other than those in which they are imported?

E.g.: in PNG at present, the importation, sale and distribution of pesticides is regulated according to the schedule the pesticides/pesticide formulation is in under the 'Poisons and Dangerous Substances Act, 1952'. Also specific pesticides might have particular requirements, e.g. paraquat can only be sold if it contains an emetic and a stenchant, and can only be sold in original containers.

It has been proposed in PNG to classify pesticide and pesticide formulations according to the 'WHO Recommended Classification of Pesticides by Hazard' (WHO Chronicle, 29: 397 - 401 (1975)). Importation, sale and distribution of pesticides will be regulated according to this internationally accepted series of schedules; e.g.: Some pesticides may only be sold through specified outlets. Such persons selling these pesticides (classified under hazardous schedules) must keep an inventory of all sales; sales must be to holders of permits or licencees allowed to handle such pesticides. Other pesticides under another (less hazardous) schedule may be sold by food vendors or in stores, although the pesticides must be kept separate from foodstuffs. Furthermore pesticides cannot be sold in other than their original containers which all must be adequately labelled.

## 4.2 Labelling

What sorts of information are required on labels of pesticide containers? Are the labels in a language understood by all users?

# 4. Controls on Pesticides (cont'd)

# 4.2 Labelling (cont'd)

E.g.: in PNG it is proposed that labels on many pesticide containers must include:

- \* name of formulation
- \* % of each component of formulation
- \* approved ISO name of active ingredient
- \* prescribed methods of use
- \* precautions required
- \* symptoms of poisoning and methods of immediate treatment

and that such information should be written in English, Tok Pisin, and Motu. The type/amount of information required depends on the schedule in which the pesticide is classified.

# 4.3 Storage

Are pesticides allowed to be stored in containers other than the original labelled container in which they were imported? If so do you specify the type of storage vessel - e.g. glass, polythene, metal drum...? Are there restrictions on where pesticides may be stored?

E.g.: you may specifiy the type of storage facility. It may have to be a well ventilated, dry, cool shed with a concrete floor, with adequate fire protection and fighting equipment which meet 'National Standards'.

### 4.4 Transportation

Are there restrictions on the way pesticides are transported by road, ship, or air?

E.g.: There exist IATA and international shipping regulations concerning transportation of various pesticides by air and sea.

It is proposed in PNG to make it illegal to transport some pesticides in the same compartment as food, clothes etc where spillage may occur.

# 4. Controls on Pesticides (cont'd)

# 4.5 Disposal of Pesticides

Do you know how old/expired/unwanted pesticides are disposed of?

E.g.: it is usually recommended that such pesticides are diluted and dispersed on unused agricultural land or are buried in a sanitary landfill according to specified procedures. Pesticide containers should also be destroyed and buried.

# 4.6 Protective Clothing

Do you know of people who use protective clothing when using pesticides?

E.g.: It in generally recommended that when using hazardous pesticides one should use gloves, footwear, clothing, hats, goggles and respiratory protection which all should meet National/international standards.

# 4.7 Health Check-ups

Do you know of any regular users of pesticides who submit to regular medical examination?

E.g.: In Australia (and it is proposed in PNG) such persons should have regular blood tests and medical check ups.

# 4. Controls on Pesticides (cont'd)

# 4.8 Pesticide Legislation

Could you please forward a list of present or proposed legislation which has regulations controlling importation, sale, storage, use and disposal of pesticides in your country.

E.g.: in PNG all the following Acts or proposed bills or ammendments of them contain regulations with effect pesticide use in PNG:

- 1. Environmental Contaminants Act 1978
- 2. Environmental Planning Act 1978
- 3. Public Health Act
- 4. The Poisons and Dagerous Substances Act 1952
- 5. Industrial Safety, Health and Welfare Act 1961
- 6. Water Resources Act 1982
- 7. Pesticide Bill (DPI) 1983 (?)
- 8. Quarantine Act Chapter 234

At present control is implemented through (4) since (1) has no regulations for pesticides, (7) is still in drafting stage.

- \* In Solomon Islands the following Act and Regulations were passed in 1982:
  - The Safety at Work Act, (Pesticide) Regulations 1982 under Safety at Work Act, 1982.
- \* In Fiji 'The Pesticide Act, 1972' regulates the registration and scale of pesticides.

# Problems to Humans and Wildlife

- 5.1 Could you give any details of known poisonings of people by pesticides in your country over the last 10 years (preferrably give documented details)?
  - E.g.: In PNG in recent years there have been many reported cases of people poisoned by paraquat, and a few cases of persons poisoned by some of the organophosphates.)
- 5.2 Could you give any details of known poisonings of domestic animals or fish or wildlife in your country over the last 10 years (preferrably give documented details)?
  - E.g.: There is much literature dealing with wildlife poisonings and high residues in foodstuffs and wildlife in USA, Europe, Australia but none to my knowledge in PNG, probably because of small scale use of pesticides and no adequate facilities to check possible instances.

- 5. Problems to Humans and Wildlife (cont'd)
- 5.3 Do you know of any publications on problems/potential problems caused by pesticides in your country?

E.g.: in PNG in recent years a number of articles have appeared in PNG or Australian journals; they include:

- \* Bourke, T.V.; Morrison, W.B.; Macartney, B.K. 1971: The effect of prolonged spraying with trichlorphon on blood cholinesterase levels of sprayers. Papua New Guinea Agric. J. 1971; 22: 151 - 164.
- \* Wohlfahrt, D.J. 1981; Paraquat poisonings in Papua New Guinea. Papua New Guinea Med. J. 1981; 24 (3): 164 - 8

Also various articles have been published in the local newspapers, e.g. on Friday July 8, 1983 two articles on pesticides were published in PNG Post Courier, one on proposed legislation on pesticides, the second reviewing the Rural Development Handbook publication 'safe use of pesticides'.

- Laboratory Facilities and Personel
- 6.1 Do you know of any laboratory/personel in your country capable of analysing <u>any pesticide</u> residues on a small scale/large scale?
- 6.2 Do you know of any work being done or that has been done in your country on analysing residues of pesticides in foodstuffs, fish, wildlife and other environmental samples, and human blood/tissues? If so please give name and address of persons or institutions involved. Are organisations/institutions from outside your country involved?

E.g.: in PNG recently some human blood samples have been sent to Australia for analysis; also at present at UPNG we are doing analyses of paraquat residues in fish, mud and water, and analyses of organochlorine and organophosphate residues in human blood.

### APPENDIX B

# QUARANTINE QUESTIONNAIRE

( forwarded to South Pacific countries and territories, initially on 2 December 1985.)

Respondents were asked to complete the questionnaire and to list those pesticides used in quarantine. Results of questionnaire is given in Chapter 6.

Questionnaire was as follows:

QUESTIONNAIRE ON PESTICIDES USED IN QUARANTINE IN SOUTH PACIFIC COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES.

(prepared by David Mowbray and Alphonse Benoit)

Fill in:

COUNTRY

NAME OF CONTACT PERSON

ADDRESS

DATE

## Please answer the following questions:

- List all legislation (laws, regulations...) which cover quarantine (animal and plant) in your country or territory.
- 2. What pesticides do you use in quarantine in your country/ territory?

Please also tick separate list provided of pesticides used in South Pacific (attached).

[ list of 50 active ingredients known to be used in quarantine was attached]

- Do you, by law, have mandatory treatments of foodstuffs, planting materials, cultures, and other commodities? Please give details.
- Please give details on your facilities for fumigation and other forms of treatment with pesticides, including dips, dusting, spraying, baits....
- 5. What problems do you have in using chemicals in plant quarantine and other quarantine procedures you use.

### APPENDIX C

PESTICIDES USED IN SOUTH PACIFIC WHICH ARE BANNED, SEVERELY RESTRICTED OR CLASSED AS RESTRICTED-USE PESTICIDES ELSEWHERE IN THE WORLD, AND THOSE CLASSED AS EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS AND HIGHLY HAZARDOUS BY WHO.

For tables 54 to 60 reasons for categorization are generally due to human health and/or environmental reasons, but also include a few voluntary cancellations or withdrawals by the manufacturers.

# Table 54. Compounds banned , withdrawn , not approved in United States of America

chloranil chlordecone copper acetoarsenite (paris green) dinoseb EDB erbon ethylan a HCH B HCH HCH (mixed isomers) isocyanurates nitrofen oxyfluorfen pirimicarb 2,4,5-T strobane 2,3,6-TBA TDE(DDD) thallium

Table 55. Compounds severely restricted in USA

arsenic compounds (arsenic troxide) camphechlor chlordane chlorobenzilate DDT dibromochloropropane (DBCP) dieldrin dimethoate endrin fenoprop fluoroacetamide heptachlor g HCH (lindane) mercury compounds mirex parathion ethyl phenyl mercury acetate sodium arsenite sodium cyanide sodium fluoroacetate strychnine

acrolein
acrylonitrile
aldicarb
allyl alcohol
aluminium phosphide
amitraz

- \* azinphos methyl calcium cyanide
- \* carbofuran chlordimeform
- chlorfenvinphos chlorphacinone chloropicrine
- chlorpyrifos chlonitralid cycloheximide
- demeton diallate dicrotophos diflubenzuron
- dioxathion
- \* disulfoton

EDB endrin EPN ethoprop

fenamiphos fensulfothion fenvalerate

fluoroacetamide

fonofos g HCH (lindane) heptachlor hydrogen cyanide methamidophos methidathion methiocarb

- \* methomy 1
- methyl bromide mevinphos monocrotophos nicotine
- paraquat parathion ethyl parathion methyl permethrin phorate phosacetim phosphamidon
- \* picloram
- sbdium cyanide sodium fluoroacetate (compound 1080)
- \* strychnine
- \* sulfatep sulprofos TEPP terbufos zinc phosphide

\* some formulations restricted-use.

# Table 57. Compounds, banned, withdrawn, not approved by E.E.C.

camphechlor
chlordane
dieldrin
hexachlorobenzene
a HCH
B HCH
heptachlor

Table 58. Compounds severely restricted in E.E.C.

aldrin
DDT
endrin
phenylmercury acetate
mercury compounds

Table 59. Compounds banned, withdrawn, not approved in other countries but not in U.S.A. or E.E.C.

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alachlor
 aldrin
 allidochlor
 amitrole
 arsenic containing compounds (arsenic trioxide, calcium
   arsenate, lead arsenate, sodium arsenite)
 azinphos methyl
 be nowy 1
 binapacryl
 captafol
 captan
 carbaryl
 carbophenothion
 chlorbromuron
chlordimeform
chlorobenzilate
chloropicrin
cypruzine
2,4-D
DOT
demeton
dibromochloropropane (DBCP)
dinitramine
disulfoton
DNOC
endothal sodium
endrin
EPN
fenoprop
fentin hydoxide
fluoroacetamide
folpet
g HCH (lindane)
lead compounds
leptophos
malathion
maneb
methyl bromide
mephosfolan
mevinphos
MH
mirex
nicotine sulphate
oxythioquinox
                                             sodium fluoride
paraquat
                                             sodium fluoroacetate
parathion ethyl
                                             strobane
parathion methyl
                                             strychnine
PCP
                                             2,4,5 - trichlorophenol
phosphamidon
                                             TEPP
sodium arsenite
                                             terbutylazine
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thiometon

sodium cyanide

Table 60. Compounds severely restricted in other countries but not in U.S.A. and E.E.C.

aldicarb aminocarb carbosulfan chlorthiophos cycloheximide dialifos dichlorprop dicrotophos endosulfan ethyl formate ethoprop fonofos formaldehyde hydrogen cyanide methidathion methomyl methoxychlor omethoate phenthoate phorate sulfotep sulprofos tebuthiuron thiophanate methyl

Tables 59 and 60 do not include those compounds which are only restricted 'for experimental purposes only'.

# Table 61. List of pesticides classified in Class 1A "EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS"

aldicarb arsenous oxide calcium cyanide chlorfenvinphos chlormephos chlorthiophos coumaphos cycloheximide demeton-0 and -S

dibromochloropropane (DBCP)
diedrin
dimefox
disulfoton
EPN
ethoprophos
fenamiphos
fensulfothion
fonofos

hexachlorobenzene leptophos mephosfolan mercuric chloride mevinphos parathion-ethyl parathion-methyl

phenylmercury acetate phorate phosfolan phosphamidon

sodium fluoroacetate

sulfotep TEPP terbufos thiomazin trichloronat

### Notes to Class 1A:

Arsenous oxide is also known as arsenic trioxide, arsenious oxide, and white arsenic.

# Table 62. List of pesticides classified in Class 1B "HIGHLY HAZARDOUS"

aldrin
allyl alcohol
aminocarb
antu
azinphos-ethyl
azinphos-methyl
azocyclotin
bromophos-ethyl
butoxycarboxin
calcium arsenate

acrolein

carbofuran
carbophenothion
chlordecone
chlorophacinone
crotoxyphos
demeton-5-methyl
dichlorvos
dicrotophos
dimetilan
dinoseb

dinoseb acetate dioxathion DNOC

edifenphos endrin famphur fenthion fluoroacetamide

formetanate

oxydemeton-methyl paris green pentachlorophenol pirimiphos-ethyl propetamphos salithion sodium arsenite sodium cyanide strychnine thiofanox thiometon triazophos tributyltin oxide vamidothion

zinc phosphide

heptenophos isazofos isofenphos lead arsenate

mecarbam methamidophos methidathion methacarbate methomyl

methoxyethylmercury chloride (MEMC)

monocrotophos nicotine omethoate oxamyl oxydemeton-me

Table 63. Most common compounds available in South Pacific but not registered for use in Australia nor New Zealand.

No of countries where reported to be available	Pesticide
8	zinc phosphide
5	difenacoum oxydemeton methyl
4	coumafuryl cythicate ethyl hexanedicl * fonophos metobromuron sodium dichromate
3	chlorflurenol chlorobenzilate hydrocyanic acid monolinuron
	nicotine piperophos prometon quinalphos sodium arsenite
2	4-(2,4,5-TB) acrylonitrile
	aldicarb sulphonate benefin berelex bifenox
	bufencarb calcium arsenate carbosulfan chlormephos
	difenoxuron dimethametryn dipropetryn ditalimfos
	EXD fenac fluoroacetamide hexachlorobenzene

isopropalin

ioxynil octanoate isoprocarb

IBP

isoproturon MEMC methyl 5-hydroxy-2 benzimidazole carbamate methyl thiophanate mexacarbate monalide neptalam sodium paris green phosacetim piperalin plifenate potassium azide procyazine profluralin propetamphos protect ronnel salicyanilide sulfotepp tetrasul tolyfluanid

AC217,230 aldicarb sulphoxide 2 aminobenzimidazole arimiphos methyl aspon azobenzene barium carbonate benzadox benzthiazuron bromoxynil octanoate brompyraxone bronopol bunema buprofezin butopyronoxyl buturon calcium cyanamide calcium phosphide calvinphos carbon sulphide cartap CDEC chinosol chloramphenicol chloraniformethan chlorbromuron chlorfenprop methyl chlorhexidine glucon chlorotoluron chlorquinox clofop-isobutyl

clonitralid coumachlor CPMC credazine cyanophos cycloheximide cycluron cyperquat diaphene dibutyl succinate dichloroethyl ether diclobutrazol dienochlor dimefox dimexano dinobutan EDC ediphenphos emitram EPN erbon ethalfluralin ethiofencarb ethiolate ethiphos ethothexadiol ethylene oxide fenidim fenuron - TCA flumethrin fluorodifen fluotrimazole flupropion flurecol-n-butyl ester flurenol glyphosonate ammonium halacrinate hepteneophos hexachloroacetone hydrogen cyanide hymexazol isocarbanid isifenphos isonoruron lesmethrin lethane 384 mebenil mephosfolan methoprene methoprotryn methoxyethyl mercury methyl mercuric chloride methyl mercuric dicyanamide MTC 1-naphthol trans-nonachlor

parinol phenobenzuron phenothiazine pindone potassium cyanate potassium dichromate potassium diethyl dithiophosphate potassium diethyl thiophosphate potassium dimethyl dithiophosphate potassium dimethyl thiophosphate prothiocarb pyridinitri1 quinaceto-sulphate quinonamid rynia sabadilla salithion sesamex simetryn sodium azide sodium hypochlorite sodium metaborate sulphoxide sulphamethazine sweep tebuthiuron 2,2,3,3, tetra fluoroproprionic acid thiazfluron thiocyclam trichloronitromethane 2,4,5-trichlorophenol tricyclazole trifenmorph validamycine acid XMC zinc sulphate

<sup>\*</sup> probably registered in Australia/New Zealand, but not recorded as an active ingredient (in formulations containing synthetic pyrethroids)

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- 9. Personal correspondance.

Care must be taken in using the above lists since products may be withdrawn, not approved or placed on the restricted list for reasons other than human and environmental hazards, eg economic reasons. Products may be superceded or their market usage may diminish and the proprietor withdraws them.

These tables need to be revised so to clearly distinguish between products 'banned' or 'severely restricted' on toxicity and environmental grounds from those products withdrawn or not approved for other reasons. However it can be noted that according to the above sources must reasons for such categorization are based on matters related to human or environmental toxicology.

#### APPENDIX D

# PESTICIDE CONTAINER USE QUESTIONNAIRE

In August 1985 this questionnaire was received from Dr I. H. Haines of the Tropical Development and Research Institute (TDRI) based in London in the United Kingdom. It was part of an international study to ascertain what happens to pesticide containers after use. Preliminary reports on the results of this world wide study have been published by Haines (1986) and WHO (1986) . 34 responses were received from PNG and forwarded to TDRI for inclusion in their study. Of these responses four were from government institutions and 30 from non-government organisations, eg chemical companies and plantations. The raw data received from their responses are summarised below. Although this report has yet to be written up it is included here because it shows clearly that sometimes pesticide containers are re-used in unacceptable ways or are not destroyed/disposed of correctly. Containers have been used to carry water and for storage of food, animal feeds and plant seeds. Container decontamination is a problem yet to be solved.

# SUMMARY OF RESPONSES collated by Nora Dai and David Mowbray.

#### QUESTIONS

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1.,	Do you use, handle, or are you responsible for, pesticides in any way?	YES	34	NO	0
2.	Do you keep, or are you responsible for, a stock or store of pesticides (indicate YES even if stock or store very small)?	YES	34	NO	0
3.	Do you stock or store pesticides in LARGE (greater than 100 litre/22 gal; typically, 200 litre/44 gal) metal drums?	YES	20	NO	14
4.	Do you stock or store pesticides in MEDIUM SIZE (20-100 litre/4.5-22 gal) metal drums or containers?	YES	29	NO	5
5.	Do you stock or store pesticides in SMALL (4.5 litre/l gal up to, but NOT including, 20 litre/4.5 gal) metal containers?	YES	29	NO	5

6.	Indicate the approximate size of your stock or store of <u>pesticides</u> in <u>metal containers</u> of each category:		ROXIMA STOCK	ATE NUM	BER
i.	LARGE drums (greater than 100 litre/22 gal)	>100 2	10-10 9	00 <10	4
ii.	MEDIUM-SIZED drums or containers (20-100 litre /4.5-22 gal)	>100 4	10-10 15	0 <10	
iii.	SMALL containers (4.5 litre/l gal up to, but not including, 20 litre/4.5 gal)	>100 7 ( > mea	14		_
		tha	in")		an")
7.	Which of the following pesticide types are kept in metal drums drums or containers in your store?				
	Insecticides and acaricides	YES	29	NO 5	
	Herbicides	YES	23	NO 10	
	Fungicides	YES	12	NO 21	
	Others (eg rodenticides(1), molluscicides, nematicides(1), unspecified(3).	YES	5	NO 29	
8.	Which of the following pesticide <u>formulations</u> are kept in <u>metal</u> drums or containers in your store?				
	Emulsifiable concentrate (e.c.)	YES	29 1	NO 5	
	Wettable powder (w.p.)	YES	12 1	NO 20	
	Dust	YES	6 1	NO 26	
	Granule	YES	8 1	NO 24	
	Poison bait	YES	5 1	NO 27	
	Other Specify: sodium chlorate in drums	YES	1 1	NO 30	

, ·	formulations of insecticides in metal drums or containers?		to 10		to	12)	
10.	Do you stock e.c. formulations of insecticides in.						
i.	LARGE drums (greater than 100 litre/22 gal)?	YES	11	NO	15		
ii.	MEDIUM-SIZE drums or containers (20-100 litre/ 4.5-22 gal)?	YES	22	NO	4		
iii.	SMALL containers (4.5 litre/1 gal up to, but not including, 20 litre/4.5 gal)?	YES	20	NO	6		
	Al-						
11.	Indicate the approximate size of your stock or store of insecticide e.c. formulations in metal containers of each category:	1					
			ROXIMA IN STO		NUMB	ER	
i.	LARGE drums (greater than 100 litre/22gal)	>100 0		100	√10 6		0
ii.	MEDIUM-SIZE drums or containers (20-100 litre /4.5-22 gal)	>100 3	10-1	100	< 10 11		0
iii.	SMALL containers (4.5 litre/l gal up to, but not including, 20 litre/4.5 gal)	>100	10-1		<10 6		0
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12. Do you re-use empty metal insecticide e.c. YES containers IN ANY WAY? (go to 15)(go to 13) 23 13. If answer to 12. is NO, how are empty containers discarded or disposed? i. sold or given away to others for re-use YES NO 12H ii. taken away by others for disposal YES NO 22 iii. destroyed or otherwise made unusable by you or your staff. If YES to this question Yes 3 NO 19 specify procedure: bury, squashed, holed; washed and buried in lime pit; clean & punctured; dumped and burned; crushed, thrown into a rubbish pit; crushed and buried in trenches, bomb holes; plastic ones burnt, metal drums punctured and dumped; used as culvert bridges on plantation; not specified. iv. other (eg left empty on premises). - YES 4 NO 14 Specify: only sell as new full containers, (some respondants replied NO but then specified ways inwhich they were reused, eg use as water container for spraying,

storage of bulk items, for growing plants.

- 14. If answer to 13 i. or 13 ii. is YES, give following details:-
  - to whom are containers sold or given, or by whom are they taken away? Specify: to plantations and village farmers (3)
- ii. are containers cleaned or decontaminated YES 2 NO 2
  If YES, specify procedure:
  water and soda ash, water and wetting agent,

IF NO, why are they not cleaned or decontaminated? Specify: packed in cartons (?), used where much contact by people' (do not have empty containers as always sold full) Respondents not really understand question.

iii. If containers are re-used by others, for what purpose are they used? Specify (write "don't know" if uncertain): collect water for spraying; end user arranges disposal; 'don't know'; used for culvert; used for spray containers; used for containers in workshop, carrying cocoa, for storing wet beans, used as weedicide and insecticide containers.

(Although no respondant stated that containers were used for carrying water, cases of such usage are documented.)

iv. If containers are taken away for disposal, how are they disposed of? Specify (write "don't know" if uncertain): dumped and burned; punctured; don't know'.

- 15. If answer to 12. is YES, indicate purpose for which containers are used:
  - i. re-used as containers for same insecticide YES 4 NO 5 (ie used to contain insecticide of same common name)
- ii. re-used as containers for insecticides of the

  same general type (eg organochlorine
  container re-used for other organochlorine
  insecticides; organophosphate container for
  other organophosphate insecticides)
- iii. re-used as containers for other types of insecticide (eg organochlorine container for YES 1 NO 8 organophosphate insecticides)
- iv. re-used as containers for different kind of pesticide (eg used for herbicides, fungicides, nematicides, rodenticides, molluscicides)
- v. re-used as containers for insecticide waste YES 0 NO 9

  material (eg for outdated stock, to contain spilt insecticide). If YES, specify:
- vi. re-used as containers for waste material of YES 0 NO 9 different kind of pesticide (eg for herbicides, fungicides, rodenticides). If YES, specify:
- vii. re-used as containers for food or water. YES 0 NO 9 omit 16
- viii. re-used for other purposes. If YES specify: YES 3 NO 7 for storing kerosene; for carrying wet cocoa; for storing/carrying fuel; for washing cloths.

16.	Answer	this quest	tion ONLY	if your	answer to
	15 vii	was YES. (	Containers	are re	-used for:

i.	carrying food for human consumption	YES		NO	
ii.	carrying food for livestock consumption	YES		NO	
iii.	carrying water for human consumption	YES		NO	
iv.	carrying water for livestock consumption	YES		NO	
v.	carrying water for washing (human)	YES		NO	
vi.	carrying water for washing (livestock)	YES		NO	
vii.	carrying water for washing clothes	YES	1	NO	
	(See answer to Question 15 viii was	YES		)	
viii.	other (specify).	YES		NO	
17.	If answer to 12. is YES, are containers	YES	6	NO	5

- cleaned or decontaminated prior to re-used?
- 18. If answer to 17 is YES, give details of cleaning or decontamination procedure: water and detergent used; washed in petrol/kerosene, then in soapy water, then with storage solution; washed with water and wetting agent; repeated washing with water(3).
- 19. If answer to 17 is NO, explain why they are not cleaned or decontaminated: are sold full; more-or-less same herbicides/ mixtures placed in same drum; same pesticide placed in container(2); 'chemicals dangerouspeople must not touch on washing"!(?)

- 20. Have you, or anyone for whom you are YES 6 NO 4 responsible, ever suffered symptoms of pesticide poisoning? If YES, give details:
  methyl parathion poisoning of self; Gramoxone
  blistering due to overfilled knapsack, and failure of operator to wash it after spraying; headache & chest-pain, running eyes and watery nose; mild poisoning by organophosphate; two cases of 'eye-burns and minor skin irritations; poisoning but no details given.
- 21. Have you, or anyone for whom you are responsible, ever required professional medical attention for pesticide poisoning?

  If YES, give details:

  Self-treated for methyl parathion poisoning; treated for dermal absorption of paraquat was not fatal; no details given.

#### APPENDIX E

## RENPAF.86 QUESTIONNAIRE

On 20 September 1986, the questionnaire was forwarded to all persons listed in Table 1. By 27 November the following countries had responded:

(PN)	13/ 9/86
	(response for PNG is for situation
	under new regulations)
(SI)	13/10/86
(GU)	13/10/86
(VA)	14/10/86
	(no established registration system)
(NC)	16/10/86
	(legislation does not require
	registration of pesticides; NC relies
	on the French registration system,
	hence questionnaire not filled in).
(WS)	27/10/86
	(no pesticide legislation at present)
(TT)	27/10/86
	(TTEPB ceases to be on 31.12.86;
	henceforth Marshall Islands EPA,
	FSM EPB, Palau EQPB; see Table 1)
(CI)	27/11/86
	4
	(SI) (GU) (VA) (NC) (WS)

NAME OF COUNTRY:

ORGANIZATION RESPONDING:

# DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION:

# CHEMICAL AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:

Do you require the data package proposed in the Report of the Regional Consultation in Harmonization of Pesticide Registration Requirements, October 1983?

Yes	PN	No	SI
	GU		VA
	WS		TT
	CI		

PN: if registered in Australia, NZ, USA, UK or other countries with acceptable registration proceedures, not all data package is required.

## If NO, please state reasons briefly:

SI: has own requirements.

TT: registration done by USEPA; their registration decisions are accepted/adopted by TTPI governments; presume USEPA information requirements are similar to above data package.

#### EFFICACY DATA

Do you accept efficacy data from the applicant in support of registration?

YES PN NO VA
SI
GU
WS
TT (US does)
CI

Do you require efficacy testing to be done by Government research workers in your country?

YES GU NO SI SOMETIMES PNG
WS VA
TT (US does)
CI

Do you take into account efficacy trials done in other countries on similar crops in similar climates?

YES PN NO VA
SI
GU
WS
TT (US does)
CI

If EPPO(European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organization) or some other group develop test protocols, would you accept the principle of transportability of data developed in accordance with the protocols?

YES PN NO GU SI VA WS CI

#### If NO, why?

GU: All test protocols pertaining to types of registration of pesticides should meet state and national standards (USEPA - FIFRA).

TT: This will be decided by new countries (FSM, Marshalls and Palau, but presume they will rely heavily on USEPA).

#### TOXICOLOGY:

Do you evaluate toxicology data?

YES	PN	NO	VA
	SI		WS
	GU		TT
			CT

If YES, who does the evaluation?

PN: Pesticide Working Party

SI: Pesticide Registration Committee GU: Federal EPA in Wasington, D.C.

TT: rely on US evaluations

Do you seek advice from any international authority or country?

YES	PN	NO .	VA
	SI		
	GU		
	WS		
	TT		
	CI		

If YES, which one(s)?

PN: Australian Pesticide Board, Australian Dept of Health, New Zealand Pesticide Board, IRPTC, FAO, WHO.

SI: SPC Plant Protection Office

GU: National Enforcement Investigation Centre, Denver, Colorado.

WS: FAO, SPC, chemical companies

TT: USA, SPREP

CI: New Zealand (Pesticide Board)

Do you refer to toxicological reviews of international organizations or other countries?

YES	PN	NO	GU
	SI		VA
	TT		
	CI		

If YES, which one(s)

PN: IRPTC, IPCS, FAO, WHO, Australia, N.Z.

SI: FAO/UNDP, WHO - if none available then applicant must supply proof of registration in Australia, N.Z., Hawaii, U.K., Fiji or Japan.

TT: USA, WHO.

CI: New Zealand (Pesticide Board)

#### RESIDUES:

Do you require residue data when considering applications for registration?

YES PN NO SI
GU VA
WS
TT (US does)
CI

If YES, do you require (all), (some), (no), trials done in your country?

ALL (GU) SOME WS NO PN
CI SI

Would you accept residue data generated in other countries on similar crops?

YES PN NO
SI
GU
VA
WS
TT
CI

TT: Common problem is that EPA registration emphases mainland crop uses, not uses in Pacific islands.

Does your country have system of MRL's?

YES GU NO PN
TT (US does) SI
VA
WS
CI

Does your country have facilities for monitoring residue levels both pre and post-registration?

YES GU NO PN (inadequate!)
SI
VA
WS
TT
CI

#### ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS

Do you consider environmental effects

VERY IMPORTANT PN IMPORTANT? SI
GU
VA
WS
TT

CI

Do you require any specific tests on environmental effects of pesticides pre-registration?

YES PN NO SI
GU VA
CI TT

If YES, what tests?

PN: evaluate general toxicological reviews; not do tests ourselves

SI: but considers data applicant furnishes as environmental tests carried out elsewhere.

TT: US publications used

CI: to determine quantities filtering into lagoons, streams and swamps.

If YES, do you follow the tests suggested in the FAO guidelines?

YES NO PN (do not do own tests)
SI
GU

CI

#### PROCEDURES

#### PROPRIETARY RIGHTS:

Do you recognize the Proprietary nature of registration data?

YES PN NO SI GU VA CI

If YES, how do you do this?

PN: data is confidential excepting small sections on human and environmental hazards. Each importer when applying for information must provide own information, or approval from original source of information for its use.

GU: Through formal registration process conducted by Federal EPA.

Do you have a time period during which the second registrant must supply complete data unless an agreement has been reached with the first registrant?

YES GU NO PN SI VA WS CI

If YES, what is the time period?

GU: 30 days for comments

How was this time period estimated?

GU: Based on review process and completeness of substantiating information for registration of pesticide product(s).

## PHASED REGISTRATION:

Do you operate a phased registration scheme?

YES	NO	PN
		SI
		GU
		VA
		WS
		CI

If YES, describe briefly the type and major limitations placed at each stage:

# AVAILABILITY OF PESTICIDES:

Do you have controls on the availability of pesticides depending on their 'hazard rating', ie toxicity and their potential to cause both environmental/ and or residue problems?

YES	PN	NO	VA
	SI		CI
	GU		
	WS		
	TT		

If YES, how do you operate these controls?

PN: can specify restrictions on sale and use

SI: chemical may be registered for restricted use or

subject to other conditions of use

GU: through classification process established by Federal

WS: Agriculture Store in collaboration with Agriculture Dept's Crop Protection section operates controls.

TT: US system of restricting use (both general restriction and restriction of specific uses). Also certain chemicals are banned for all uses.

#### SPECIFICATIONS:

Do you require detailed information on chemical and physical properties of formulations?

YES PN NO VA
SI
GU
WS
TT (US does)
CI

Are their data confidential?

YES PN NO SI
GU VA
WS
CI

If these are confidential, how long is confidentiality maintained?

PN: indefinitely

GU: until product (?)

Are local analyses required to authenticate specificants before registration?

YES NO PN SI GU VA WS CI

If YES, which laboratory does this:

#### LABELLING

Do you follow the general recommendations for the layout of labels as recommended in the 1983 Report?

YES PN NO SI
GU
VA
TT
CI

If NO, how do your labelling requirements differ from the recommendations in the 1983 Report?

PN: if labelled accepted in Australia, N.Z. then ok. PN/SI: sample label but be supplied at time of application GU: must conform to labelling requirements of FIFRA

Pesticides Inspection Manual (Section 3, June 1975)

VA: since have no legislation, accept what is on label of imported product, usually of Australian and N.Z. standards.

TT: follow US requirements

Do you use the WHO Classification to indicate hazard of the product for labelling purposes?

YES PN NO GU VA TT CI

Do you use colour coding on labels?

YES PN NO SI
GU
VA
TT
CI

If YES, is this based on WHO Classification?

#### YES PN

If NO, on what system is the colour coding based?

CI: uncertain

Please specify colour coding used in your country.

PN: either Australia, or N.Z. acceptable; PNG label as per WHO recommendations.

SI: provided the label is accepted for use in country of manufacture it will be accepted in the Solomons; ie will accept labels from Australia, N.Z., UK etc but the label must be approved at registration.

# PACKAGES

Are you required to approve packages as part of the registration requirements?

YES PN SI NO GU

N/A VA

If YES, what are the main criteria you use for acceptance.

PN: as long as safe.

QUESTIONNAIRE TO COUNTRIES IN THE SOUTH-WEST FACIFIC REGION CONCERNING PESTICIDES AND PESTICIDE RESIDUES IN FOOD

circulated by Mr Robert MacFarlane, the Plant Protection Officer of the South Pacific Commission for Mr G.N. Hooper, the Pesticides Co-ordinator, Department of Primary Industry, Australia in October 1986.

- Does your government require that before a pesticide may be used on an agricultural commodity (either before or after harvest) a maximum residue limit (MRL) or tolerance must be established for toxicologically significant residues of the pesticides resulting in or on the commodity?
- 2. Do MRLs established for approved or registered agricultural uses of pesticides in your country also apply to food commodities imported into your country?
- 3. Does your government routinely sample and analyse shipments of food for pesticide residues?
- 4. What are the major food commodities imported into your country?
- 5 What are the major food commodities exported from your country?
- 6. What are the most commonly available pesticides in you country?
- 7. Is there any monitoring of the quality of pesticide products?
- Please describe briefly the structure of the Registration system in your country and give the names and addresses of the government departments involved.
- Which foreign country(ies) registration regulations does your country follow most closely?
- 10. Are ther official or unofficial published notes for guidance and where can these be obtained?
- 11. Are new laws or regulations of major significance expected in the near future? If so, when are they likely to become effective?
- 12. What categories of pesticides are subject to the registration procedure?
- 13. Does the registration of a pesticide require the provision of toxicology? If so, to what extent.

- 14. Does the registration of a pesticide require the provision of residue data in edible crops, food or feeding stuffs? If so, must residue trials be carried out under local conditions?
- 15. Is it a requirement that methods of residue analysis be provided?
- 16. Please provide your comments on:
  - the relevance of the work of the CCPR to your countries needs.
  - the likelihood that your country could participate in future meetings of the CCPR.
  - the needs of countries in the South-West Pacific region insofar as pesticides and pesticide residues are concerned
- 17. Is your country involved with any other international organization involved with food safety? If so, please describe the program and its objectives.
- 18. Please provide the name and address for a contact officer for future correspondance concerning pesticides, pesticide residues in food and the activities of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues.

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In PNG, he has continued his studies with pesticides doing further toxicity and residue work involving larvicides and paraquat; and a survey of organochlorine residues in people in PNG.

Since 1977 David has assisted and provided technical advice on pesticides to various PNG Government departments. He represented the PNG Government at a Regional Meeting of IRPTC in Bangkok (Thailand) in 1979. Through 1985 and 1986 he has helped frame the pesticide regulations and guidelines which are shortly to be gazetted in PNG. He will be a member of the Pesticide Working Party which will oversee the legislation.

In 1983, David was appointed the Principal Investigator of the Pesticide Project of the South Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP). As such, he represented SPREP at two UNIDO Regional Consultations in the Philippines. The first was on the harmonisation of pesticide registration requirements in November 1983. The second was on toxicological requirements in April 1985. In December 1986 he will again represent SPREP at a follow-up UNIDO consultation on harmonization of pesticide registration requirements in the Philippines.

He travelled throughout the South Pacific in November 1983 to complete this detailed report on 'Pesticide use in the South Pacific' for SPREP. Since then he has kept a continuing correspondence with many persons in the Pacific on this study.

With associates at UPNG, he has commenced a project on organochlorine and heavy metal residues in bivalves from PNG in conjunction with SPREP and UNEP's Regional Seas Progarmme.

In early 1986, David completed studies for the PNG Government to determine the toxicity of various heavy metals, cyanide and tailings from the large Ok Tedi gold and copper mine on freshwater animals, and in mid 1986 submitted a report to the PNG Government on the biological impact of mine tailings on the Ok Tedi and Fly River freshwater system.

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